

Special Issue

Understanding Suicide and Self-Harm Behavior across the Lifespan: A Perspective of Risk Factors and Assessment

Message from the Guest Editor

Suicide, the intentional ending of a person's own life, accounts for approximately 817000 deaths and 2.2% of all years of life lost worldwide annually. Self-harm is a broader concept, which encompasses degrees of intentionality that are hard to separate: from attempted suicide to non-suicidal self-injury (NSSI). Although NSSI is distinguished from suicidal thoughts and behaviors in that individuals who self-injure are characterized as not consciously intending to die, NSSI has been strongly associated with suicide experiences.

This research topic is dedicated to better understanding the factors underlying suicide and life-threatening behavior across the lifespan. We aim to examine potential mechanisms and modifiable factors which may reduce risk of self-harm and suicide.

We welcome submissions on, but not limited to, the following topics:

- Theoretical advances in understanding self-harm and suicide;
- Epidemiology of self-harm and suicide;
- Risk and protective factors of self-harm and suicide;
- Suicide risk assessment;
- Prevention strategies;
- Treatment suggestions.

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