

Special Issue

Community Interventions in Health Disparities

Message from the Guest Editors

Health disparities are defined as “preventable differences in the burden of disease, injury, violence, or opportunities to achieve optimal health that are experienced by socially disadvantaged populations”. Disadvantaged populations can be expressed by a multitude of factors such as gender, education, race or ethnicity, disability, or sexual orientation. Community interventions include those that have a defined community as the setting for the intervention, those that are making change at a community-level, and those using community as resource or agent for change. We are interested in original or review articles exploring how interventions aimed at improving community health also improve (or have the potential to improve) a wide range of health disparities. Papers should clearly describe their community-based approach and define the targets of change or the prioritized group(s). We encourage proposals focusing on a variety of health outcomes such as chronic diseases, infectious diseases, and related risk factors. We also receive proposals which include social determinants of health and how they interact with health risks, outcomes, and health disparities.

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