# **Special Issue**

# The Effects of Public Policies on Health

# Message from the Guest Editor

Thoughtful public policies can significantly impact health outcomes by both addressing inequalities and promoting well-being. these are the most important:

- Reducing Health Inequalities
- Welfare State and Social Determinants
- Infrastructure and Community Well-Being
- Public Goods and Supportive Environments
- Evidence-Based Policies

In summary, the social, environmental, and commercial determinants of health exert a major impact on population health. Health in all policies, as well as whole-of-government and whole-of-society approaches, are terms often used to describe the means of addressing the impact of public policies on health, in conjunction with what has been termed the "health impact assessment", which is mostly used to assess the scale of the impact.

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