Special Issue

Barriers and Enablers in the Adoption of Widespread Digital Solutions in Healthcare

Message from the Guest Editor

We are seeking to ensure that we develop a better understanding of the issues that create barriers to the adoption of digital technologies, not only from the healthcare professionals' and patients' perspective but also that of policy makers and commissioners of services. It is important that we do not disable the contribution that digital technologies can make in the global recovery from COVID-19. We are thus inviting academics to share their current work on the enablers and barriers to adoption and in particular are seeking contributions that focus on trust. Papers on the lessons learned in relation to the use of digital tools and services in the management of the COVID-19 pandemic and on COVID-19 recovery are encouraged. This can also include research into explainable and trustworthy AI, but all trust aspects of digital service adoption and scaling across all aspects of health and care delivery will be welcomed. By exploring how trust can be gained and communicated as well as lost, we can better understand how it is built into the innovation process from the early stages of product and service development.

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