Special Issue

Improving Access to Cancer Screening among People with Disabilities

Message from the Guest Editors

Cancer screening could reduce deaths from cancer if the people invited participate. The challenge is that often, cancer screening programmes fail to sufficiently engage the most vulnerable, including those with disabilities, leading to persistent inequalities in uptake. Addressing inequalities remains a key priority for cancer control globally. The number of people living with a disability is increasing due to ageing populations and an increase in chronic health conditions. Failing to address the stark inequalities in access to cancer screening among people with disabilities is in contravention of international obligations under the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. This Special Issue aims to catalyze and share the current state of knowledge on improving access to cancer screening for people with disabilities. Empirical research papers, reviews, methodological papers, position papers, brief reports, and commentaries are welcome to this issue. Keywords

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