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Influenza Prevention: Exploring the Progress and Persevering through Challenges

Message from the Guest Editors

It is well known that seasonal influenza vaccination is among the most effective public health means to prevent and reduce the epidemiological, clinical, socio-economic burden of disease.

As recommended by the World Health Organization (WHO), it is important to expand immunization programs for seasonal influenza vaccination for the following target populations: healthcare workers, individuals with comorbidities and underlying medical conditions, older adults, pregnant women, children, and other groups at a high risk of severe influenza in congregate-living settings. Despite its proven effectiveness and policy recommendations, seasonal influenza vaccination coverage rates in most industrialized countries are still low. Increasing seasonal vaccination within priority groups is a key strategy to lessen the burden of influenza.

This Special Issue focuses on the importance of influenza prevention in human health, and the advances in research leading to the development of better preventive strategies, exploring the latest innovations and challenges in tackling this important health issue.

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