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Advancing Public Health Through Community Pharmacy Practice

Message from the Guest Editors

Community pharmacists have long been recognized as integral to advancing public health. As highly accessible and skilled healthcare professionals, they have been essential to providing access to primary, secondary, and tertiary preventive services, as well as health education and promotion. As members of inter-professional teams, their provision of clinical services has improved patient and population health outcomes. Community pharmacists have also become increasingly involved in screening patients for social determinants of health and performing required interventions or referrals as part of clinical–community linkages. Community pharmacists have played important roles in public health initiatives; Furthermore, the COVID-19 pandemic has increased attention to pharmacists' contributions to public health. Student pharmacists and pharmacy technicians have also been vital to these efforts, and have displayed creativity and interest in this work. This themed issue will showcase the impact of community-based pharmacy practice on public health. Research or reviews, as well as thoughtful commentaries, are welcome.

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