## **Special Issue**

# The Impact of Criminal Justice Involvement on the Health and Wellness of Individuals and Families

#### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues:

Criminal justice involvement has become an increasingly common life event in modern societies. Criminal justice involvement can occur in many forms, such as police stops, parole and probation, iail and prison imprisonment, and juvenile justice engagement. Due to the stigma and stress related to criminal justice involvement, there is a pressing need for additional research to gain an in-depth understanding of its consequences on individuals and families. Growing knowledge in this field will empower us to incorporate criminal justice involvement-related experiences into studying health and wellness disparities and inform intervention and policy development. We invite you to submit manuscripts focusing on criminal justice involvement and the well-being of individuals and families and addressing the implications for practices and policies. We invite various forms of research from different countries and conducted on diverse populations and welcome submissions employing qualitative and quantitative approaches, mixed methods, and systematic/scoping reviews. By encompassing diverse methods, we seek to gather comprehensive perspectives on this important area of study.

#### **Guest Editors**

Dr. Qianwei Zhao

Diana R. Garland School of Social Work, Baylor University, Houston, TX 77479, USA

Prof. Dr. Ivan Y. Sun

Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19716, USA

#### Deadline for manuscript submissions

30 November 2025



an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 1.6 CiteScore 3.0



mdpi.com/si/198571

Societies
Editorial Office
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5
4052 Basel, Switzerland
Tel: +41 61 683 77 34
societies@mdpi.com

mdpi.com/journal/ societies





an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 1.6 CiteScore 3.0



### About the Journal

#### Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Societies (ISSN 2075-4698) is an interdisciplinary journal that brings together different scientific approaches to engage with societal questions to enhance our understanding of the social realm throughout history. The journal publishes original empirical research papers, literature reviews, and conceptual papers. Our aim is to publish papers that have a significant impact on addressing present and emerging societal questions. Therefore, we encourage researchers to publish their results in as much detail as possible. For empirical research papers and literature reviews, all experimental details must be provided, so that the results are reproducible. We also encourage the publication of timely theoretical pieces on topics of interest to existing and emerging societal questions. Papers are either published in the open journal or in Special Issues devoted to specific topics of interest to the field.

#### **Editor-in-Chief**

#### Prof. Dr. Gregor Wolbring

Community Rehabilitation and Disability Studies, Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary, Calgary, AB T2N 4N1, Canada

#### **Author Benefits**

#### Open Access:

free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

#### **High Visibility:**

indexed within Scopus, ESCI (Web of Science), RePEc, EconBiz, and other databases.

#### Journal Rank:

JCR - Q2 (Sociology) / CiteScore - Q2 (General Social Sciences)

