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Health Protection and Inequalities in the Labor Market

Message from the Guest Editor

An increasingly competitive globalized capitalism has coupled with both accelerating technological change and a series of progressively “hardening” socio-political-economic factors to produce growing inequality in contemporary labor markets. At the individual level, we know that precarious work, poor working conditions, and the psychic burden of low social position at work are associated with adverse health outcomes. More broadly, the population health consequences of labor market and wealth inequality are associated with not just an increased burden of disease, but also, critically, a gradual decline in social cohesion, civic behaviors, and the broad societal commitment to mores that support democratic institutions. The focus of this Special Issue is on exploring the full range of implications and consequences of rising labor market inequality for public health, and to provide strategic recommendations for mitigating structural disadvantage through healthy public policy.

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