

Special Issue

Advancing the Wellbeing of Marginalized Communities: Stigma and Health Service Access and Utilization among People Living with AIDS

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue invites multidisciplinary manuscripts based on original research that addresses stigma in relation to health service access and utilization among PLWA. Systematic reviews that provide insight into the subject are welcome. Areas of focus include the following:

- The effects of HIV stigma and discrimination on PLWA and their communities;
- Understanding how stigmatized individuals/groups experience stigma and discriminatory practices in the access and utilization of healthcare services;
- Assessment of the best practices to confront stigma and discrimination at multiple levels using the social determinant of health framework;
- Highlighting groundbreaking interventions in stigma reduction.

We look forward to receiving your contributions to this important area of inquiry.

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