

Special Issue

Vaccines and Vaccination Strategies from a Public Health Perspective

Message from the Guest Editors

The aim of this Special Issue is to disseminate good vaccination practices and innovative strategies tested in health systems, to increase vaccination coverage for endemic diseases, and to contain or mitigate vaccine hesitancy or vaccine fatigue. This Special Issue aims to introduce the scientific community to the tools used, methods of administration, or innovative organizational procedures adopted in public health systems. Of particular interest are the procedures adopted or adoptable for vaccinations of adolescents, the elderly, patients suffering from blood-oncological diseases, pregnant women or newborns with congenital or metabolic diseases, and migrants. Finally, since the use of a vaccine or the success of a vaccination campaign also depends on effective communication with citizens/patients, this Special Issue aims to collect some examples of procedures, tools, or interventions carried out by health systems that have led to an increase in vaccination coverage. In particular, it would be interesting to disseminate good practices or new specific catch-up methodologies regarding influenza and HPV vaccinations. We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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Vaccines (ISSN 2076-393X), founded in 2013, now has a firm history of publishing peer-reviewed, state-of-the-art research papers on vaccines and vaccination in the broadest sense. Areas covered include, but are not limited to, novel and emerging vaccine technologies, building on in-depth knowledge of what constitutes a protective immune response. These can be new vaccines for old diseases, or old vaccines for new diseases. Vaccines against cancer and autoimmune diseases explicitly are also within the scope of the journal. Because public opinion and even government policies towards vaccines and vaccination have changed, vaccine policy and public health issues are major concerns. Climate change will also have an impact on the spread of infectious diseases, and thus also on vaccine and vaccination policies worldwide.

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