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Vaccine Hesitancy and Child Immunizations: Rationales, Issues and Knowledge Gaps 2.0

Message from the Guest Editor

Globally, infant and childhood vaccine coverage rates are still not high enough, with outbreaks of vaccinepreventable diseases occurring frequently even in highincome countries. Vaccine hesitancy is one of the factors explaining the suboptimal percentages of vaccination coverage, defined by the SAGE group as a "delay in acceptance or refusal of vaccines despite availability of vaccine services". The decision not to vaccinate or delay vaccine shots comes from a complex decision-making process influenced by numerous factors related to population, context, environment, historical period, and single vaccine. This Special Issue focuses on the knowledge and strategies to reduce vaccine hesitancy and improve vaccination coverage rates in the group of infant and childhood. Submission of original articles, systematic reviews, short communications, and other types of article on related topics is welcome. Manuscripts should follow standard journal peer-review practices, and those accepted for publication will appear in the Special Issue on "Vaccine Hesitancy and Child Immunizations: Rationales, Issues and Knowledge Gaps".

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