

## Special Issue

# Vaccination and Public Health: Optimizing Vaccine Uptake through the Application of Social and Behavioral Science Theory, Principles, and Strategies

### Message from the Guest Editors

This issue of the Journal specifically addresses the application of social and behavioral science theory, principles, and strategies with respect to four cognate areas of research (1) enhancing assessment of vaccine hesitancy; (2) understanding contextual factors (personal, relational, societal, network, familial, and community influences) associated with acceptance or refusal for vaccination, (3) having a greater understanding of the ethical issues involved in vaccination, and (4) describing intervention principles and strategies that may be efficacious in promoting vaccine acceptance. Manuscripts that target either special interest any of these four are welcome for submission. Manuscripts will follow standard Journal peer-review practices, and those accepted for publication will appear in the special issue on ***Vaccination and Public Health***.

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### Message from the Editor-in-Chief

*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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