Special Issue

Advancing Public Health for Sexual and Gender Minority Populations

Message from the Guest Editors

Sexual and gender minorities (SGM) or individuals who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual, and/or another identity (LGBTQIA+) experience health disparities compared to their cisgender (not transgender) and heterosexual counterparts. This Special Issue for the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health (IJERPH) will focus on the intersection of sexual and gender minorities and contemporary public health issues that have been heightened during the COVID-19 pandemic. We are interested in papers that focus on key social determinants including housing, employment, community engagement, mental and physical health, healthcare, and policy. We are especially interested in current work that expands on public health priority areas for SGM people, such as anti-transgender legislation, systemic racism, COVID-19 vaccination, HIV healthcare, telemedicine, immigration, social isolation, housing and food insecurity, neighborhood determinants, caregiving and long-term care, and intimate partner violence. We are looking for the following article types: original research, reviews, and case reports.

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