

Special Issue

Disaster Mental Health Risk Reduction

Message from the Guest Editors

The global increase in extreme climatic events and disasters, whether natural or human-induced, will have significant impacts on the mental health and wellbeing of affected populations. Despite a growing recognition of the importance of mental health and psychosocial support aspects in global disaster policy frameworks (such as the Sendai Framework, and the WHO Framework for Health Emergency and Disaster Risk Management), the intersections of our current approaches to disaster risk reduction and existing efforts to address mental health and psychosocial aspects in disaster and emergency contexts are still relatively poorly understood. This Special Issue will therefore provide a unique opportunity to further examine these insufficiently explored themes and intersections through a disaster risk reduction lens across the various stages of the disaster life cycle and across geographies.

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