# **Special Issue**

# Advances in Indigenous and American Indian and Alaska Native Health and Wellness

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The focus of this Special Issue includes Indigenous populations from Australia (Australian Aboriginals), Canada (First Nations), the United States (American Indian and Alaska Natives) and New Zealand (Maoris). Even though there are differences in the Indigenous health among these four countries, the experience of colonization and the long-term effects of being colonized has impacted the physical, social, emotional and mental health and wellbeing of Indigenous populations. These inequities exist and have led to poor social determinants of health. Papers focusing on new research, reviews, case reports, and conference papers to address Indigenous-specific mental health, the burden of communicable and non-communicable diseases, nutrition, disability, community resilience and social determinants of health inequities are invited.

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