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Message from the Guest Editors

Starting from the definition of proximal and distal determinants of health produced by Dalhgren and Withehead in 1991, the strict interconnection between health, nutrition and, more recently, health literacy becomes clear as an individual as well as a diffuse life skill to promote, prevent, and sometimes cure diseases. particularly chronic diseases. At present, with the epidemiological, nutritional, and demographic transitions in progress, it becomes unavoidable to find other, different public health responses to the health needs of the entire population. Health literacy is declining in many specific disciplines, among them also food and nutrition. Food and nutrition literacy are becoming potentially powerful arms to strike against obesity, malnutrition, and other nutrition-related diseases, as well as a tool (skill) to make people more empowered towards diet and food behaviors and the impact of food on the environment. We are expecting to discuss the horizons and the present and future solutions that health literacy, in its components devoted to diet, the environment, food security, food safety, and nutrition-related problems, can offer to improve people' health.

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