

Special Issue

Collaborative Community Approaches to Addressing Serious Violence

Message from the Guest Editors

The World Health Organization (2002) classified violence as a leading international public health problem, requiring immediate intervention. Violence is a pervasive social problem whose causes and consequences are inextricably linked to individuals, families, institutions, communities, and societies. The negative consequences of violence, and serious violence especially, reverberate beyond the immediate moment and location. By bringing together partners with varied skills, whole-system multiagency approaches are advocated as the leading means of targeting serious violence. With this backdrop in mind, this Special Issue will examine a variety of collaborative, community-based approaches to preventing and reducing serious violence across the global landscape. The contributors will be practitioners and researchers whose work focuses on the prevention and reduction of serious interpersonal violence in communities. The typologies of serious violence discussed by the collaborators can include youth violence, street gang membership, and violence against women. Welcome contributions (article/review/conceptual paper) that address the topic of the Special Issue.

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