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Message from the Collection Editor

Dear Colleagues,

We are hoping to create a broad-based, international, interdisciplinary collection of essays on the problems in Pediatric Palliative Medicine—as noted by Dr. Friederichsdorf, only a fraction of the 21 million children with life-limiting or life-threatening disorders requiring palliative care receive adequate symptom relief and other important interventions by trained healthcare professionals, and that was before this unprecedented time in the history of humanity, when natural disasters and civil unrest in many low-income and middle-income countries have caused the forced displacement of millions of families throughout the globe, with the attendant disruptions in basic healthcare provision. Our vision is to update palliative aspects of neonatal and pediatric specialty care; recognize factors contributing to physical and psychosocial suffering in babies, school-aged children, adolescents and young adults transitioning to adult-based health care; and to explore ways to foster resilience in our patients and in their families, in our healthcare systems, and in ourselves.



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