



Social Support for Healthcare Professionals during COVID-19

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Message from the Guest Editors

The COVID-19 pandemic has become the most important global health crisis of our time. As far as social and healthcare professionals are concerned, there is no doubt that they are one of the most affected by this pandemic for several reasons—on the one hand, because they are exposed to high workloads and work stress because of the pandemic, providing healthcare, making decisions of great ethical and moral importance, and managing limited resources, and on the other hand, because of the high level of suffering of the patients they care for in an overwhelmed healthcare system.

In this context, the support of society, institutions, and colleagues is a necessary element. This support has had different expressions, ranging from the applause and tributes at the beginning to the current disqualifications and criticisms. In this issue, we want to show the modulating effect of social support on the quality of professional life and mental health of social and health professionals.





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