



## Adverse Childhood Experiences Impact on Health Outcomes

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Dear Colleagues,

Adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) have been associated with deleterious consequences throughout the lifespan of the individual, including an increased risk of mental disorders and the emergence of chronic diseases. However, an in-depth understanding of ACEs in diverse populations, how ACEs should be best measured, and the short-term (especially during the COVID-19 pandemic) and long-term impacts on the cognition and neurological and physiological development of individuals is still lacking. There are also growing number of studies assessing the economic burden of ACEs at the individual, caregiver and national levels, which need further attention from relevant stakeholders. In this Special Issue of *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health* (IJERPH), research addressing these topics is invited. We welcome new studies and review papers from different disciplines, including implementation science, epidemiology, psychology, health economic and intervention studies to address these topics.

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