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Message from the Guest Editor

On 11 March 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic. Over a year later, the pandemic has highlighted the fragility of the healthcare system and the consequences for people's wellbeing. The pandemic has impacted all areas of the health system. Indeed, scientific evidence shows significant changes in access to primary and specialist care; available resources; trends in chronic degenerative diseases; the effects of isolation on children, on adolescents, and mental health in general; habits and lifestyles (nutrition and physical activity); delay in early diagnosis; and increased overall mortality. It has also highlighted existing health inequalities such as chronic health conditions, while unequal living and working conditions have inexorably increased the prevalence and severity of COVID-19 infections.

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