



COVID-19 and Health Inequities: Opportunities, Challenges, and Future Directions

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Message from the Guest Editors

The Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic has revealed societal vulnerabilities on a global level. COVID-19 hospitalizations and deaths have disproportionately affected low-income and marginalized communities, in part through chronic medical conditions such as hypertension, diabetes, obesity, and kidney, cardiovascular, and chronic lung diseases and in part through a global structure of inequity.

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