



Community Capacity Building: A Potential Solution for the Current Obesity Epidemic

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Mitigating the global epidemic of overweight and obesity and related conditions is a top public health priority. A vital component of a systems approach is the development of “community capacity”—the potential of communities to identify, mobilize, and effectively manage public health concerns. The focus of this Special Issue is on obesity prevention efforts using community capacity building strategies to develop knowledge, skills, structures, resources, and commitments to health improvement. We welcome a range of contributions including reviews and empirical studies that address effective community capacity building approaches to prevent and manage overweight and obesity. Topics of interest include: Community capacity building; Infant and childhood obesity; Obesity prevention workforce; Food accessibility and security; Life course approach to obesity prevention; Physical activity interventions; Public health nutrition.





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