Disaster Recovery and Population Health

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Message from the Guest Editors

Although the field of public health disaster science has made progress in defining the phenomenon of "disaster recovery" and its health implications since Smith and Wenger first characterized recovery as an under-tilled research field that was "the least understood aspect of emergency management" (Handbook of Disaster Research, 2007), much remains to be learned. This Special Issue of the *International Journal of Environmental Research in Public Health*, co-edited by David Abramson (New York University), Mark VanLandingham (Tulane University), and Mary Waters (Harvard University), will provide the field with an opportunity to review what has been learned about recovery and to consider the gaps to be filled. The editors are interested in original research, systematic reviews, and perspectives and commentaries that focus on methodological and epistemological aspects of individual and population recovery; the determinants and trajectories of long-term recovery, including those factors that mediate or moderate recovery; and systemic factors, as well as policies and practices, that support or inhibit successful recovery.

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