



Gender Inequalities in Health and Social Determinants

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Women have higher life expectancy than men in similar socioeconomic conditions, but worse health status. Women more frequently suffer from chronic disorders and higher levels of disability, while men suffer more often life-threatening illnesses that cause premature death. The framework of social determinants of health establishes that gender is linked to different structural determinants that affect health, but also it is a category that orders values, norms, practices, and behaviors that affect exposure and vulnerability to different risk factors. It is important to address from the intersectionality approach the interrelation of gender with other axes of inequality. These topics are invited to this Special Issue, especially those that combine different gender indicators and research methodologies. Articles focused on the unequal impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on women and men's health also deserve special attention today.





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