



## Primary Health Care – Challenges and Opportunities for Health Services

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Primary health care is the most widely used service in the health system. Primary care service delivery differs from country to country. Primary health care outlets and services offered are crucial for developing a sustainable health system and healthy communities. Although world leaders have made commitments to equitable access and quality primary health care services in various international meetings, the primary health care needs of the people are still not fully met. Even basic health care services are out of reach for some communities. Even if they have in place, various geopolitical and human resource issues have made them very difficult to access. In addition, due to a lack of appropriate equipment, training, and favorable environments, health care providers are not able to provide basic healthcare, and quality is another vital issue. Therefore, an in-depth understanding of the challenges and opportunities of health service delivery and utilization in primary care from both provider and consumer perspectives, is necessary to improve the delivery of primary health care services and people's health.





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