



## Vulnerable Communities and Public Health

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce this Special Issue entitled “Vulnerable Collectives and Public Health” for the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health (IJERPH).

This Special Issue seeks contributions that address the particular conditions of vulnerable social groups in public health, health services, health system research and health economics.

Potential articles can identify the differences in the established topics for vulnerable groups. However, articles that are more general and that make a substantial contribution to the topics specified in this Special Issue, as well as methodological reviews and evaluations, are also welcome.

Vulnerability can be due to various socioeconomic factors (gender, disability, age, economic situation, employment situation, migration) or more specific factors such as gender-based violence. All situations have a place in this Special Issue.

Recent studies defend as fundamental the identification of the different needs of the different groups in relation to health and health services, in order to design more efficient and effective policies in the medical and health care of the population.





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