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# **Health Systems and Services**

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#### **Message from the Guest Editors**

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Deadline for manuscript submissions: closed (31 May 2018) Health systems research brings particular challenges and opportunities: interdisciplinary working; collaborating with clinical and other healthcare staff; simultaneously working at different levels of a system or organisation; designing/co-designing interventions; constructing studies that can rigorously test such interventions; and working closely with the potential beneficiaries and end users of research throughout the process, be they patients, carers, clinicians or managers. As researchers we are being pushed to step outside of our comfort zones and find new methods to explore and understand the complexity of health systems and new designs to implement and test interventions in this dynamic environment.

This special issue has a focus on new methodologies in research and implementation of health systems interventions. Papers that describe research and evidencebased interventions in the hospital or at the hospitalcommunity care interface and utilise novel or complex methods are invited. Papers focusing on research that is co-designed by researchers, healthcare staff and patients would be particularly welcome.







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