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Social Media and Health: Emerging Trends and Future Directions for Research on Adolescents and Young Adults

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Message from the Guest Editors

The ubiquity and affordances of social media have allowed adolescents and young people to become both active posters and passive recipients of communication related to health. For instance, people may post exercise goals and behaviors on social media, while at the same time, they may be exposed to friends drinking alcohol and/or indulging in unhealthy snacking. This intersection of sociotechnical systems (i.e., social media) and health and wellbeing has garnered increasing scholarly attention. However, much is still unknown as to why some, but not other, people actively post about health topics; the effects of exposure to health-related content on social media; and how (for instance) social network structures influence individual and community health. For this Special Issue. which focuses on adolescents and young adults, we invite conceptual papers and original research using multiple methodological approaches to addresss these topics.









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