



Emergencies and Public Health Crisis Management- Current Perspectives on Risks and Multiagency Collaboration

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Dear colleagues,

The successful management of emergencies and public health crises depends on the adequate measures implemented in all levels of the emergency chain of action, from policy makers to the general population. It starts with appropriate risk assessment, prevention, and mitigation, and continues to prehospital and hospital care, recovery, and evaluation.

In addition to institutional responses, a robust, community-based disaster response system can effectively mitigate against and respond to all emergencies. A well-balanced response is largely dependent on local resources and regional responding agencies that all too often train and operate within “silos”, in the absence of interagency cooperation.

The main goal of this Issue is to bring together public health perspectives on the management of crises and develop the idea of multiagency management from a wider perspective.

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