



## The Willingness toward Vaccination: A Focus on Non-mandatory Vaccinations

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The decision to receive non-mandatory vaccinations is left to the choice of the individual. Even if they are offered free of charge, these vaccinations can be overlooked by the general population, whose judgment is heavily influenced not only by individual characteristics, but also by numerous reasonable and unreasonable external factors.

When governments do not coerce citizens to get vaccinated, the full effect of vaccine hesitancy can be observed, eventually bringing the level of herd immunity to zero.

To further explore the topic of willingness to get vaccinated, as well as vaccine hesitancy, in this Special Issue, we would like to encourage the submission of articles that explore how external and internal factors can influence the decision-making process of every individual in one way or another.

Whether the COVID-19 pandemic has had an effect on willingness toward other vaccinations, especially non-mandatory ones such as influenza and HPV vaccines, is still debated, and therefore, papers that compare the actual vaccination rate or intentions with historic, pre-COVID-19 data for a particular non-mandatory vaccine are welcomed.





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