Health of refugees, migrants and displaced populations in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

Call for Papers

The *Eastern Mediterranean Health Journal* (EMHJ) is leading a thematic issue on refugees, migrants, and displaced populations (asylum seekers, internally displaced populations and returnees).

Currently, the Eastern Mediterranean Region (EMR) is among the most impacted in terms of displacement and migration with consequent health implications. The available public health literature is not adequate in order to influence policies and programmes that address the health of migrants and displaced populations in the EMR. As countries in the Region face the COVID-19 pandemic, it has also become clear that vulnerable populations such as refugees as well as low income and irregular migrants must be included in all health policies, plans and programmes.

Therefore, the EMHJ theme issue aims to engage a diverse audience in reflection on the current challenges and opportunities relating to these issues. We encourage the submission of papers exploring public health issues pertaining to refugees, migrants, and displaced populations in the EMR. We also accept contributions covering other regions, if pertinent to the health and wellbeing of people from the Eastern Mediterranean Region, such as addressing cross-border elements, innovative methodology, use of technology, impact evaluation, etc.

**Possible sub-themes include, but are not limited to:**

- Universal health coverage and inclusion in national health systems
- Social determinants of refugees and migrants’ health
- Preparedness for and response to the COVID-19 pandemic

**Information on submitting a paper**

Please carefully read the instructions for authors at: http://www.emro.who.int/emh-journal/authors/authors-information.html

Submissions should be received by 31 December, 2020 in order to be considered.

**Please indicate in your submission that it is for consideration for the migrant health special issue.**

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