



## Expanding Competency of Primary Health Care: Emotional and Bio-Social Meanings for General Practice Consultation

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Able doctors in primary care are those who can link emotional, social and bio-clinical descriptors and offer personalized actions or advice. General practitioners have the opportunity to understand what kind of emotional, social and biological aspects influence people's lives, affecting their health and wellness.

We seek original articles concerning positive or negative associations between descriptors such as empathy, connectedness, trust, social bonding, emotional wellness, daily life discomfort or other psychosocial factors and bio-clinical variables from primary-care environments. Articles on the interface of primary and secondary care are a priority. Reviews approaching psychosocial issues with laboratory research linkages are welcomed. Articles which describe roots of general practice consultation and reasons to change, or explain better outcomes, are also welcome.

- Primary health care
- General practice
- Trust
- Empathy
- Consultation spirit
- Psychosocial determinants
- Bio-clinical determinants
- Emotional determinants
- Connectedness
- Social bonding
- Emotional wellness

