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## Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Central characteristics of healthcare provision, such as compassion and empathy, further complicate the picture. Cracks can appear in a façade that is increasingly (and rightly) concerned with patient safety; it is within these cracks that potential for improvement exists.

exemplified bv humanito-centric narratives and sociomedical interactions. Immersion in arts and humanities allows for a freeing and expansion of cognitive processing for healthcare practitioners, as well as facilitating a deeper appreciation of the human condition. Creative artists can further improve healthcare provision in this wav: beyond extant arts-based therapeutic interventions.

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