



## **Patient and Family Experience in Health Care**

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### **Message from the Guest Editors**

Patient and family involvement are integral to providing optimal health care in the acute hospital setting. As a metric of healthcare quality, finding ways to improve patient experience is now a priority for acute health care organisations. Many reviews and papers have been published highlighting the challenges in meeting patient and family needs and expectations. Some of these include difficulties in providing tailored information, isolation due to infection control measures from the COVID-19 pandemic and resource limitations. However, innovative strategies have been implemented to overcome some of these challenges. This Special Issue of *IJERPH* will present papers that report on the integration of patients and families into the acute care experience, across the life span. We will explore emerging and traditional methodologies that have been rigorously developed to meet patient and family needs and improve overall patient experience during their acute care journey. We welcome papers that report on all contexts within acute care such as oncology, maternity, elder care, medical, surgical and critical care units.





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## Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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