

# CHILD & FAMILY SOCIAL WORK

## *Call for Manuscripts related to the COVID-19 pandemic*

The novel coronavirus pandemic is having an unprecedented impact on families across the globe with far-reaching social consequences. For many families, the shutdowns designed to halt the spread of Covid-19 mean disrupted education and childcare, possible health problems, violence, potential loss of household income, food insecurity and poverty.

This special issue aims to present papers relevant for understanding the impacts of coronavirus pandemic on families in order to help social scientists better address emerging challenges for contemporary families. This special issue also aims to provide a timely opportunity to develop strong evidence-based family policies and practices to strengthen families during COVID19 pandemic.

This call for papers intends to collect empirical and theoretical studies among family with a social, behavioral, public health or multidisciplinary perspective on key issues related to the coronavirus pandemic.

We especially invite submissions on the following topics, among others:

- Family relations
- Marital relationship
- Family interaction, social distancing, and isolation
- Parenting under 'lock down'
- Family wellbeing
- Resilience in the face of COVID19 pandemic
- Social consequences of quarantine and social distancing for families
- Inequalities in times of the pandemic
- Family violence;
- Economic impact of COVID-19 for families
- Care of dependent relatives;
- Solidarity networks of care.
- Social policy responses to COVID-19

We encourage submissions that are genuinely interdisciplinary that draw on research from more than one discipline and will be of value to researchers from more than one discipline. This call for papers intends to collect empirical and theoretical studies on key issues related to the latest coronavirus outbreak.

### **Submission Details:**

To determine whether your manuscript is relevant for publication in the special issue, please send a 300 word abstract of the perspective manuscript you intend to submit. Indicate a provisional title, research questions, methodology, findings, and implications for family policy and practice. Authors also must

provide affiliation and degree information. It is required that at least one author per manuscript must be a Ph.D. holder.

Please note that all manuscripts will be subject to a double-blind peer review process and not all the abstracts and the final manuscripts submitted will be accepted. Final manuscripts should be limited to a maximum of 28 pages in length.

**Timeline:**

- Submission deadline for abstracts: July 1, 2020
- Notification on the acceptability of abstract: July 15, 2020
- Submission deadline for full manuscripts: Nov, 15, 2020
- Final submission of revised texts: February 1, 2021
- Publication Date: Summer, 2021

Proposals and submissions should be emailed to the Guest Editor: Anis Ben Brik ([abrik@hbku.edu.ga](mailto:abrik@hbku.edu.ga) )