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Message from the Guest Editors

Adolescence is a period of physical and psychological changes in which adolescents build their identity, peer groups are reinforced, and they start taking their own decisions. During this period of life, they start seeking new limits with risky health behaviors, such as experimenting with legal and illegal drugs. Factors that can explain adolescents' risky health behaviors can be related to individual and contextual aspects. Social health determinants are one of the main factors influencing health and health behaviors, which generate social inequalities of health. This Special Issue of the *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health* (*IJERPH*) focuses on the current state of knowledge on the links between social determinats of health and alcohol and substance use in adolescents. Papers assessing preventive or polcy approaches to alcohol and substance use in adolescents are also invited for this Special Issue. New research papers, reviews, and case reports are welcome to this Issue. Papers dealing with new approaches to studying alcohol and substance use in adolescents are also welcome.

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