



## Determinants of Care Trajectory in Chronic Disease

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Chronic diseases are the leading cause of mortality and morbidity in high-income countries, and represent a growing threat worldwide. They affect people of all age groups, regions, and countries. The promotion of healthy lifestyles and the prevention of the risks associated with unhealthy behaviors and rapid unplanned urbanization (primary risk factors of chronic diseases) are urgent matters requiring advocacy.

Beyond prevention methods, the management of chronic disease is critical. The common component of chronic diseases is the long-term and complex care trajectory, coordinated by different health care services and professionals, extending into social care and the involvement of family caregivers. Tackling determinants of care trajectory in chronic disease can not only provide health care services with methods and tools to lessen the socio-economic burden of chronic diseases, but also save lives.

This Special Issue focuses on the current state of knowledge on the determinants of care trajectory in chronic disease.





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