Special Issue: “Correctional Officer Wellness and Resiliency”


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Brief Description:

Research indicates that the dangers and risks faced by correctional officers and staff lead to poor outcomes in physical and mental health. Unfortunately, this research has been limited by a lack of effective policy and program interventions and evaluations. The current solicitation favors studies that measure wellness and resiliency in correctional settings. Priority will be placed on submissions that measure innovative programs, key practitioner experiences, and a holistic approach to reinforcing physical and mental health. This includes research that moves beyond simply listing the negative effects of working in corrections towards the inclusion of real-world strategies that promote staff wellness, coping, and the management of trauma. The goal of this special issue is to provide a positive framework that can empower readers in both prevention and reactive-based interventions.

Timeline:

Deadline for submissions: 1st July, 2021
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Guidelines & Submission:

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