
**Global Warming and Health: Envisioning Social Research on Health
for the 21st Century**

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Drawing parallels to the dramatic impact of the AIDS pandemic on global health and social research on health issues during the late 20th century, this presentation examines global warming as a growing force that is likely to significantly impact global health and social research on it during the 21st century. With an emphasis on the key features of global warming and the multiple ways continuing climate change is already beginning to affect morbidity and mortality patterns around the planet—including food insufficiency and malnutrition, the spread of infectious diseases, the frequency of occurrence of violent storms, breakdowns in potable water availability, rising rates of Allergies and lung problems, creation of environmental refugees, and the occurrence of new types of disease interactions—the presentation envisions changes needed in social research to respond to the pressing ecohealth challenges of the new century.

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