



Journal of Indigenous Social Development - Call for Papers Indigenous Communities and COVID-19: Impact and Implications

Although COVID-19 doesn't discriminate, we know that societies do. Indigenous communities are especially at risk due to the inequalities they experience. There are over 476 million Indigenous people living in 90 countries and account for 6.2 percent of the global population. However, Indigenous Peoples are nearly three times as likely to be living in extreme poverty and are more likely to suffer negative outcomes from infectious diseases. Many Indigenous communities are already impacted by malnutrition, pre-existing chronic health conditions, and lack access to quality healthcare.

This special issue of the *Journal of Indigenous Social Development* focuses on the experiences of Indigenous communities during the COVID-19 pandemic and the short and long-term implications. We are particularly interested in papers that reflect the experiences of global Indigenous communities around issues related to, but not limited to: access to basic needs, such as food, water, shelter, etc., lack of access to healthcare or medical supplies; ongoing human rights violations, virus testing and contact tracing, vaccination testing and uptake of vaccination, community assets, cultural and linguistic responses to COVID-19 and cultural resiliency and strengths. Implications for community practice, education, and research are also welcomed. We also welcome essays that demonstrate reflexive practices and produce rich local and contextual knowledge.

Because of the timeliness and urgency of this issue, we invite brief papers (under 2500 words).

The submission deadline is July 15, 2020. Manuscripts will undergo an accelerated peer review process. Hence, only essays which are close to publication-ready can be accepted. The **anticipated publication date is October 15, 2020.**

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