Editorial



A New Chapter

African Safety Promotion: A Journal of Injury and Violence Prevention (ASP) was launched in 2002 and is now in its 18th year of publication. The journal has sought to promote research and dialogue on violence and injury on the continent and has provided a multidisciplinary forum for critical discussion and debate among scholars, practitioners, activists, students and policy-makers. It is in the spirit of building on this legacy that we have some exciting changes to announce.

Firstly, ASP will henceforth be known as Social and Health Sciences (SaHS). SaHS will remain an accredited South African post-secondary-education journal and continue to be administered by the University of South Africa's Institute for Social and Health Sciences. As with ASP, all articles featured in SaHS will be subject to independent peer review. The journal will be published bi-annually and will feature original full-length articles, theoretical papers and perspectives, literature reviews and short communications, including conference reports.

Secondly, the scope of ASP will be refreshed in SaHS. This does not mean that SaHS will have an entirely new set of aims. The journal continues to welcome theoretical, empirical, applied and policy submissions on a range of diverse topics, including violence in its multiple forms; the epidemiological, structural and social determinants of health; health economics; research into community and health systems; injury, health and safety promotion; community and policy engagement; and knowledge production in the social and health sciences. While based in Africa, SaHS invites submissions from the broader Global South, as well as the Global North.

Lastly, we wish to welcome new members to the SaHS Editorial Board, whom we will be introducing over the coming months. The editorial structure of the journal has also seen a number of changes, which will be announced. We look forward to working with and alongside these esteemed colleagues.

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