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# Anxiety, Depression and Stress in Pregnancy: Effects of Women

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### **Message from the Guest Editors**

Dear Colleagues,

Pregnancy is a time of very dynamic change to a woman's body function and mental well-being. This period is often portrayed as a time of great joy and happiness; however, this is not the case for all women. Some women are vulnerable to stress, a high level of anxiety and/or depression during pregnancy and in the postnatal period. Risk factors, including a high-risk pregnancy and pregnancy complications, e.g., biological, psychological or socio-cultural, can increase the symptoms of depression or anxiety and have adverse impacts on maternal and child outcomes.

For this Special Issue of *IJERPH*, this will focus on the difficulties and issues related to health and illness across pregnancy as well as in the post-delivery period. We cordially invite authors to submit original research, case studies and review articles that address major gaps in the existing body of research or provide an in-depth analysis of the present state of knowledge. Both qualitative and quantitative studies and reviews will be considered.

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