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## Announcements

## **Editorial Notes:**

Welcome to another new edition of our Journal. We are forging ahead with a number of articles and these touch a range of areas, concerns and subjects. In the field of medical social work, given the roles of Patients' perception of illness symptom in recovery and response to treatment, Felicia O. Owadara in her paper, deals with the cultural beliefs, social support and societal ascribed roles as determinants of patients' perception of illness symptoms. Owadara examines the influence of cultural beliefs, social support and roles ascribed to the patient by the society on their perception of illness symptom with the view to enhance it and obtain the associated advantages in her Nigerian case study.

Fayomi Oluyemi writes about the displacements in the Context of Social Crises in the Oil-Rich Niger-Delta of Nigeria and Oil-Rich Bakassi Peninsula in Cameroon This paper discusses both theoretical and empirical perspectives of patterns of displacement of people as a forced/involuntary migration in Nigeria and Cameroon. This perspective is based on a force-subject-migration reasoning.

Raymond C. Ortega, William E. Garner through their research indicate that Rehabilitation Counselors that enter into the profession frequently lack understanding about the process of identifying and developing collaborative relationships with community agencies. Even if they recognize the need, it is often outside of their comfort zone. The authors present a discussion on the types of experiential learning tasks and projects, incorporated into a large, online Master's Degree program in Rehabilitation Counseling, are discussed. This learning model has applications to many different types of human services education programs that are delivered primarily online.

M. Bashir Uddin from Bangladesh presents the sagas of human trafficking in South Asia and clearly indicates corruption and poverty This paper addresses the situation of human trafficking in South Asia, particularly in India, Bangladesh and Nepal. This paper argues that emphasis needs to be given to such underlying root causes, particularly to corruption that fuels human trafficking and threatens human security of the trafficked persons in South Asian countries. Accordingly, it provides policy recommendations to address and deal with the problem.

Provenche Ysabe, Tremblay-Roy Julie present an interesting report from Québec (Canada) with professionals employed by Carrefours jeunesse-emploi, a network of community organizations dedicated to employment participation of young people. The study was an effort to generate knowledge about employment coaching, a practice that is now shared by the different professionals attached to public, private and community employment assistance networks in industrialized nations, against a ground of activated social assistance henceforth focused on the sustainable labour market participation of excluded populations. The study sought to document the practices of professionals in community employment assistance agencies and their influence in achieving the objectives of Quebec's participation policy.

Rajeev M. M, Johny Augustine have report bout the Indian experience with Tsunami and raise the question are needs of the survivors being taken seriously? In their qualitative research aimed at understanding the perceptions of tsunami survivors from Kerala, India the authors reveal that some of the early disaster interventions went wrong. Their findings also show some pressing needs of the survivors which still remain unattended.

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