



Health Psychology SIG Updates

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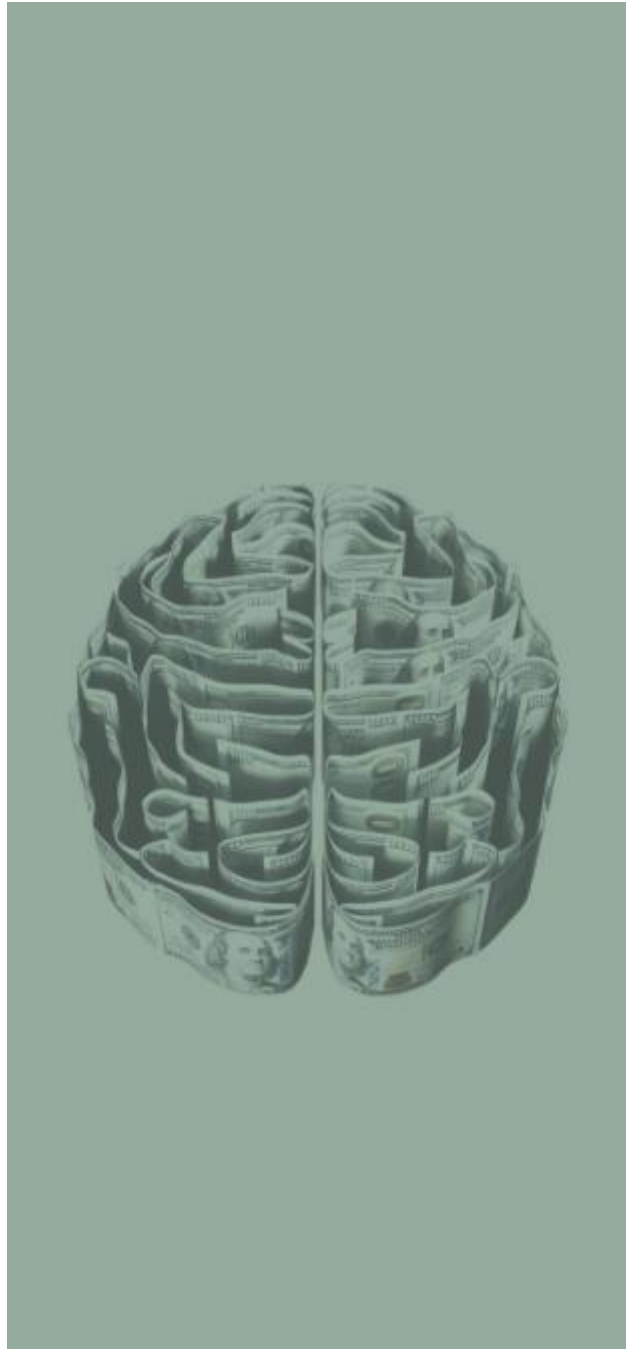
Notice

Two of our members, Dr Coetzee and Prof Kagee, are co-editors of a special issue on COVID-19 Policies and Interventions to Enable Preventative Behaviors that will be published in Frontiers. Please see the link below for more information and note that the abstract deadline is 17 September.

<https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.frontiersin.org%2Fresearch-topics%2F24596%2F-covid-19-policies-and-interventions-to-enable-preventative->

so if you or anyone you know are interested in working behind the scenes or behind the mic, contact Laura at laurahartmann96@gmail.com. You can also contact us if you would like to feature yourself and your work in an upcoming episode.

Research: The last couple of months has been a challenging time for the citizens and the healthcare facilities in handling the third wave of COVID-19 infections. Concurrently, the same parties have to effectively work together to facilitate the vaccine rollout. In light of these events, it is important to be aware of health psychology interventions that can aid in ensuring pro-health behavior and getting citizens to buy into COVID-19 vaccination. There are several health psychology theorems and frameworks that underpin interventions promoting these types of actions. For this reason, the research group has been working on a systematic review aiming to map the use of health psychology models and frameworks in the South African context. The review aims to gain insight into what models and theorems are being used and if they are being modified to fit the specific context in which they are implemented. We are also still open to accepting new members to our group. If you have an interest in Health Psychology Research and would like to join, please contact Lodewyk at 19840594@sun.ac.za.



South African Health Psychology Research Publications

Discrimination in COVID-19 vaccination programs - A possible risk for mental health

By: Mina Ansari, Ardavan Mohammad Aghaei, Yasaman Razaie, Yasna Rostam-Adabi

<https://dx.doi.org/10.1016%2Fj.ajp.2021.102758>

Comment: Mental health care for pregnant women in COVID-19 outbreak is urgent

By: Liang-Nan Zeng, Li-Gang Chen, Chang-Mei Yang, Li-Ping Zeng, Li-Ying Zhang, Tang-Ming Peng

<https://dx.doi.org/10.1016%2Fj.wombi.2020.03.009>

Job loss and mental health during the COVID-19 lockdown: Evidence from South Africa

By: Adeola Oyenubi, Umakrishnan Kollamparambil

<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0249352>

**We will share your most recent health psychology publications with the mailing list. Please send the reference and a link to your article to psysahealthpsychologygroup@gmail.com.

Conferences and Events

35th Annual Conference of the European Health Psychology Society

<https://2021.ehps.net/>

- Dr. Rizwana Roomaney will be presenting on barriers to collecting longitudinal data in a public health setting in South Africa.

Unpacking Trauma: APS members' choice symposium

<https://unpackingtrauma.com.au/>

**If you have any information on conferences, webinars or seminars coming up for this year, do send it to our mailbox at psysahealthpsychologygroup@gmail.com so that we may share it via our bi-monthly update emails.

