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SPECIAL DOUBLE ISSUE OF THE JOURNAL OF THE MOTHERHOOD INITIATIVE

“Learning from the Pandemic: Possibilities and Challenges for Mothers and Families”

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Research shows that sustainable and holistic COVID-19 recovery will require more than a vaccine. In many ways, the pandemic has acted as a beacon, further exposing longstanding cracks in systems of caregiving, women's rights, and gender equality. This special double issue of JMI, building upon the conference “Learning from the Pandemic: Possibilities and Challenges for Mothers and Families ” (May 2022) will examine the impact of the pandemic on mothers' care work and wage labour in the context of employment, schooling, communities, families, and the relationships of parents and children. With a global perspective, the issue will explore the increasing complexity and demands of childcare, domestic labour, elder care, and home schooling under the pandemic protocols; the intricacies and difficulties of performing wage labour at home; the impact of the pandemic on mothers' employment; and the strategies mothers have used to manage the competing demands of care work and wage labour during the pandemic. But understanding the issues brought to light and exacerbated by the pandemic is only the first step; the second is translating this knowledge into strategies for social change. As such, the notion of "learning from the pandemic," a sentiment that has been rhetorically echoed across the globe, is one that cannot be overstated, particularly for vulnerable mothers who have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. The social, economic, and civic inclusion of mothers in day-to-day life is necessary to successful post-COVID 19 recovery. The journal issue will allow for a timely examination of, and response to, the impact of COVID-19 on mothers and families as countries transition to a post-pandemic world. By bringing together the multi-sectoral expertise of researchers, practitioners, and vulnerable communities themselves, the issue will present a full spectrum of knowledge related to mothers' conditions and will emphasize the creation of collaborative and innovative strategies for post-pandemic recovery.

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