Digital Health and Computer-Tailoring: Opportunities and Challenges in Moving the Field Forward

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Background:

During the last EHPS conference, held in Dubrovnik (Croatia), a new Special Interest Group (SIG) on the topic

of Digital Health and Computer-Tailoring was launched. The mission of this SIG is to advance digital health and computer-tailoring research and to provide a forum for EHPS members to discuss new evidence, underlying mechanisms and specific components of digital health interventions that may lead to enhanced behavioural outcomes. The guest-editing of a special issue in the European Health Psychologist on this subject, is one of the first steps we take to provide such a forum.

Aim(s):

We would like to encourage EHPS members interested in the subject of digital health and/or computer-tailoring to contribute to the SIG's mission by submitting their work for publication in this special issue. We solicit original contributions that relate the opportunities and challenges that come with moving the field of digital health and computer-tailoring forward. This includes but is not limited to discussions of new technologies, innovative evaluation methods, usage and implementation issues, as well as policy and ethical considerations, related to digital health and/or computer-tailoring.

How to Submit:

Submissions can be of different formats, including but not limited to position papers, research letters and interviews. See for a full overview, the journal's <u>author guidelines.</u>

The publication process will take a two-step approach.

-First, authors are invited to submit an extended abstract (max. 500 words) no later than **June 1st**, 2020, by sending an e-mail to ehpsdigitalhealth@gmail.com.

-Second, when considered suitable for inclusion in the special issue – with notifications being sent to authors no later than September 1st, 2020 – authors are invited to submit their full text submission by **March 1st**, 2021. This full submission will be peer-reviewed.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about this special issue. We look forward to receiving your submission.

Sincerely,

On behalf of the Special Interest Group on Digital Health & Computer-Tailoring,

The guest editors, Eline Smit, University of Amsterdam Katie Newby, Coventry University Laura König, University of Konstanz Want to become a member of the Digital Health and Computer-Tailoring SIG? Please send an e-mail to our membership officer Dr. Ann DeSmet: ann.desmet@ulb.be.

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