



# POLITICAL ECONOMY OF HEALTH IN CONFLICT WORKSTREAM

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## Projects:

- **Political Economy of Health in Lebanon report (PEA report):**
  - Report finalized after undergoing two peer reviews by Dr. Basel Salloukh and Dr. Nesrine Salti.
  - Comments have been inserted by Dr. Fouad and I, and the report is set to be published on the website as soon as the PIs deem fit.
  - The report will be translated to Arabic, and include a brief introduction by Jasmin and Adam about the impact of COVID-19 and the Beirut blast.
- **Special Issue with R4HC in the Journal of Global Health Co-Edited by Dr. Shadi Saleh (GHI) and Dr. Fouad Fouad (GHI/R4HC):**
  - Down payment paid. Abstracts solicited and selected.
  - Authors have been notified of their abstracts' acceptance and are anticipated to present a final draft by Dec 15, 2020.
  - Reviewers for each paper will be selected as the papers roll in.
  - The issue is set to feature between 8-10 papers.

## Projects:

- **Paper from the KIIs that Dr. Cosette Maiky conducted:** Initial draft completed by Jasmin, and yet to be addressed. May be under consideration for publication in the Special Issue aforementioned.
- **International Conference on Health, Wellness and Society:** Abstract approved, presentation being completed by Jasmin and Dr. Fouad. Set to take place on Sept 3-4 at Sorbonne University in Paris, (**presented online.**)
- **Course development for the Conflict Medicine Certificate:** Jasmin is currently developing courses on:
  - The Political Economy of Health in Conflict Settings;
  - The Impact of Conflict on Marginalized Communities.

## Publications:

- Gheorghe, A., Chalkidou K., Shamieh, O., Fouad M. F. et al (2020), Economics of Pediatric Cancer in Four Eastern Mediterranean Countries: A Comparative Assessment, *JCO Global Oncology*, Retrieve at: <https://ascopubs.org/go/authors/open-access>
- Diab, J. L. & Fouad, M. F. (2020), The Politics and Economics of COVID-19 Relief in Times of Conflict and Vulnerability in the MENA Region, *Journal of Health Sciences and Nursing*, Volume 5, Number 7, pp 1-10, Retrieve at: <https://bit.ly/3jkqk5S>
- Diab, J. L. & Fouad, M. F. (2020), Navigating Access to Healthcare in Lebanon: The Political Economy of Health across Conflict, Revolution and Applicability, *E-International Relations*, Retrieve at: <https://bit.ly/2UrHDGI>

## Upcoming outputs:

- Country PEA report published by R4HC MENA in English
- Country PEA report published by R4HC MENA in Arabic
- Special Issue on the Political Economy of Health in Conflict published by the Journal of Global Health
- Paper from KII interviews
- Courses as part of the Conflict Medicine Certificate on:
  - The Political Economy of Health in Conflict Settings;
  - The Impact of Conflict on Marginalized Communities

## Upcoming initiatives and possibilities:

- Papers derived from the country report, and publishing sections of the report elsewhere.

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