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| Book Name: | [**An Overview of Disease and Health Research**](https://bookstore.bookpi.org/product/an-overview-of-disease-and-health-research-vol-1/) |
| Manuscript Number: | **Ms\_BPR\_6055** |
| Title of the Manuscript: | **Homelessness and a Free Clinics Response to Emerging Infectious Disease Outbreaks: Lessons from COVID-19 Patients – 2025 Update** |
| Type of the Article | **Book Chapter** |

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| PART 1: Comments | | |
|  | Reviewer’s comment **Artificial Intelligence (AI) generated or assisted review comments are strictly prohibited during peer review.** | Author’s Feedback *(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)* |
| **Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.** | This chapter is highly relevant for the scientific community as it addresses a critical yet often overlooked intersection between homelessness and infectious disease outbreaks. The manuscript offers comprehensive evidence on the disproportionate burden of COVID-19 among homeless populations, while highlighting the role of free clinics and community-based responses in mitigating health disparities. Lessons learned from this context are not only valuable for future pandemic preparedness but also contribute to the broader discourse on equity-oriented public health interventions. The insights presented are timely and applicable for researchers, practitioners, and policymakers working to strengthen health systems for vulnerable groups. |  |
| **Is the title of the article suitable?**  **(If not please suggest an alternative title)** | Yes, the title "Homelessness and a Free Clinics Response to Emerging Infectious Disease Outbreaks: Lessons from COVID-19 Patients – 2025 Update" is generally suitable. |  |
| Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here. | The abstract is generally clear and relevant, as it introduces the case of a homeless person impacted by COVID-19 and provides an overview for discussions about public health disparities and responses. |  |
| **Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.** | Yes, the manuscript is scientifically accurate and well-supported by current data and credible sources. It presents a comprehensive overview of the COVID-19 pandemic with a specific focus on homeless populations, and integrates epidemiological trends, health disparities, and community-based responses with clarity and coherence. |  |
| **Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.**  **-** | Yes, the references included in the manuscript are generally adequate, relevant, and up-to-date. The authors cite reliable sources such as the World Health Organization (WHO), the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and peer-reviewed journal articles, with many citations updated through mid-2025. This ensures the manuscript reflects the current epidemiological status and public health strategies related to COVID-19. |  |
| Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications? | Yes, the language quality of the article is suitable for scholarly communication. |  |
| Optional/General comments | This paper presents a socially relevant and timely topic by examining the relationship between the COVID-19 pandemic and the health of individuals experiencing homelessness. The authors successfully integrate epidemiological data, public health policy, and social determinants of health to illustrate the structural challenges faced by this vulnerable population. |  |

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