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Psychosocial Consequences of Armed Conflicts on Society

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This issue of the *Clinical Social Work and Health Intervention Journal* is devoted to the topic of psychosocial consequences of armed conflicts on society. Social events of global significance, including military conflicts, cause serious psychosocial consequences for individuals, groups and communities. This involves, for example, restructuring or even destabilizing values, especially for those in whom armed conflict makes it necessary to change the current way of life. The loss of security is accentuated by the real threats posed by the ongoing armed conflict not only in the countries directly involved, but also in the surrounding countries, the whole continent or the world. The traumatic experiences of war are particularly dangerous for the psychosocial development of children, whose mental and social health can be seriously impaired as a result of these events. War conflicts also often reshapes boundaries, not only between countries, but also in a psychosocial sense between individuals, ethnic groups, or entire nations.

As a result of the war standardized social situations and processes also change their etiology, incidence, prevalence and possible solutions, such as housing, looking for a job, education of children and youth, or health and social care.

War conflicts, even after their end, have long-term consequences, for example in the

form of mental and physical symptoms in war veterans and prisoners of war resulting from their direct involvement in combat operations.

A relatively new phenomenon of the society-wide reflection of public awareness of war conflicts is the determination of its relevance by global social media. Verification of the justification of the war conflict, information about the course of the fighting, or the war facts themselves in the global social media during the war conflict becomes a topic that goes beyond the national reference framework and requires a global society-wide commitment.

Identifying methodological approaches, theoretical background, as well as the possibilities of scientific interpretation of the psychosocial consequences of war conflicts on society is an important and current task of scientists in the social sciences and humanities.

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