

Review of: "Comprehensive Overview: The Long Term Emotional Impacts of Natural Hazards on Society"

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I would like to highlight that for healthcare workers, unlike earlier disasters, COVID-19 has had a profound negative effect on this population, especially those combating the virus. From June to September 2020, Mental Health America (2021) hosted a survey on healthcare workers' experiences during COVID-19. The 1,119 responders said they faced stress (93%), anxiety (86%), frustration (77%), exhaustion and burnout (76%), and being overwhelmed (75%). In a Centers for Disease Control (CDC) study (2021) of over 26,000 public health workers from March 29 to April 16, 2021, 53% reported having at least one of the following: depression (32%), anxiety (30%), PTSD (37%), or suicidal ideation (8%). This could be reflected on further in the paper.

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