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Preface

Public health risk management is an interdisciplinary science that involves a number of fields, including epidemiology, statistics, public policy and social science. With the acceleration of globalization, environmental changes and increased mobility of populations, the risks of public health have become increasingly complex and diverse. In recent years, global epidemics of emerging infectious diseases, such as COVID-19 and mpox, as well as the continuing threat of other infectious diseases, such as malaria and viral hepatitis, have further emphasized the importance of effective public health risk management.

In modern society, public health risk management is not only the responsibility of governments and health organizations, but also a task shared by society as a whole. Globalization has accelerated the spread of diseases, and health problems in a single country or region may rapidly evolve into a global health crisis. Therefore, international cooperation and information sharing have become particularly critical in public health risk management. The World Health Organization (WHO) and national governments play an indispensable role in responding to emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases and in developing public health strategies and contingency plans. In addition, public health risk management is not only about responding to emergencies, but also about managing long-standing health threats. It requires us to strengthen the construction of disease surveillance, risk assessment and early warning systems in our daily work, and to improve our capacity of early detection and rapid response to diseases. It is also required to develop and improve public health policies and regulations to ensure that risk management is scientific and standardized.

Advances in science and technology have greatly promoted the innovative development and practice of public health risk management. Taking advantage of the theoretical background and practical research experience in the field of public health risk management, the editor-in-chief of this book has organized a group of young experts, combined with domestic and international research advances, to write *Risk Management in Public Health*, aiming to provide a systematic framework for public health risk management, and to provide readers with a comprehensive demonstration, from theory to practice, of how to effectively identify, analyze, assess and respond to various public health risks.

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The book is divided into two parts. Part I is "Theories of Risk Management in Public Health", which covers the basic concepts of public health risk, theories and approaches of risk assessment, surveillance and early warning systems, as well as theories and approaches of risk assessment of infectious diseases, public health emergency management, risk management and decision-making. Part II is "Practices of Risk Management in Public Health", which takes major infectious diseases in the world for example, such as COVID-19, mpox, malaria and viral hepatitis, and describes in detail specific cases of risk management practices in terms of disease burden, risk assessment, surveillance and early-warning, prevention and control strategies, and effect evaluation.

Through a systematic theoretical introduction and detailed practical examples, we hope to help readers fully understand and master the basic theories, methods and practical applications of public health risk management. Whether you are a public health professional, a policymaker or a researcher, we hope that this book can be a bright light for you in the field of public health risk management, and lead you to move forward on the road of promoting public health. We also extend our gratitude to the National Natural Science Foundation of China (Grant No. 72122001) for their support, which has made this work possible.

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Abbreviations

AFP Acute flaccid paralysis

Ag Antigen

AHP Analytic hierarchy process

AIDS Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome

ALT Alanine aminotransferase

anti-HAV Antibody against hepatitis A virus

anti-HBc Antibody against hepatitis B core antigen

anti-HCV Antibody against hepatitis C virus anti-HEV Antibody against hepatitis E virus

AWD Acute watery diarrhea

BRFSS Behavior risk factors surveillance system CDC Centers for diseases control and prevention

COVID-19 Coronavirus disease 2019

DHIS2 District health information software version 2

DR Congo Democratic Republic of the Congo

ECDC European center for disease prevention and control

eDEWS Electronic disease early warning system

EDM Emergency decision-making
EOC Emergency operations center
ERF Emergency response framework
EWAR Early warning alert and response

EWRS European early warning and response system

FPT Federal/provincial/territorial GDP Gross domestic product

GIS Geographic information system

GTS Global technical strategy for malaria 2016 – 2030

HAV Hepatitis A virus

HBsAg Hepatitis B surface antigen

HBV Hepatitis B virus

HCC Hepatocellular carcinoma

HCV Hepatitis C virus

xvi Abbreviations

HDV Hepatitis D virus HEV Hepatitis E virus

HIV Human immunodeficiency virus

IAR Infected averted ratio

ICER Incremental cost-effectiveness ratio

Ig Immunoglobulin

IHR International health regulations

ILI Influenza-like illness

IMS Incident management system

IPTp Intermittent preventive treatment for pregnant women IPTsc Intermittent preventive treatment for school-aged children

IRS Indoor residual spraying

IRV Infectivity - receptivity - vulnerability

ISO The international organization for standardization

ITNs Insecticide-treated nets
MDA Mass drug administrations
MDR-TB Multidrug-resistant TB

MERS Middle east respiratory syndrome

MONICA Monitoring of trends and determinants in cardiovascular disease

MSM Men who make sex with men
NCI National cancer institute
NHS National health service
NRC National research council

PDMC Post-discharge malaria chemoprevention

PHEIC Public health emergency of international concern PHEMLS Public health emergency management legal system

PMC Perennial malaria chemoprevention

RNA Ribonucleic acid

RR-TB Rifampicin-resistant TB

SARS Severe acute respiratory syndrome SDGs Sustainable development goals

SEIR Susceptible exposed infected recovered

SI Susceptible infected

SIR Susceptible infected recovered

SIRS Susceptible infected recovered susceptible

SMC Seasonal malaria chemoprevention

STD Sexually transmitted disease

TB Tuberculosis

UHC Universal health coverage

UI Uncertain interval UN United nations

WHO World health organization

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