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Dear Dr. Landrigan,

Please consider our manuscript “A Theory of Global Public Health Necessity” for publication as a **Recommendation Paper** in *Annals of Global Health*. This article uses data comprised of both qualitative and quantitative research to support a theory of global public health and development. While many research articles have examined the effectiveness of medical technology and other medical interventions, few have used this body of research to develop a concrete theory of global public health system necessity. Over time, this theory can be tested and refined to ensure that our global health investments are reducing emerging infectious disease risk and maximizing human health and well-being.

This work represents a valuable contribution to the field of global health and development policy. We feel the findings of this work would be of particular interest to your readership, given the interest in the global public health and development strategy at a global scale. We feel this work represents an advancement in public health policy and theory, and believe that the results generalize globally to the numerous countries (wealthy and poor). Public health problems are increasingly global problems, and we all must work together and think critically about our public health systems to advance and improve them for everyone.

All authors participated in manuscript preparation. We created all figures in the manuscript and it can be printed at our discretion.

Thank you for your consideration!

Kind regards,



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