Plastics and Indigenous Health in a One Health Perspective
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The potential impacts of plastics on human health have become an issue of increasing global concern, demanding a holistic, inclusive rights-based approach. Plastic pollution, including micro and nano plastics, presents significant global health risks, particularly on populations disproportionately affected by the triple planetary crisis of biodiversity loss, climate change and pollution.

Indigenous Peoples, whose traditional lands, waters, and ways of life are at risk, face heightened health risks from plastic exposure, including micro and nano plastics. Ensuring the health and well-being of Indigenous Peoples requires a rights-based framework and multi-sectoral approach, embracing holistic approaches such as One Health to safeguard human and environmental well-being.