

INTRODUCTION TO HEALTH GEOGRAPHY

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The Introduction to Health Geography is an attempt to situate the discipline of geography as an unavoidable companion to health promotion, protection and delivery. Briefly, it illustrates the importance of geographical phenomena and knowledge in the understanding of patterns of human diseases at the global, regional and local levels. As an introductory piece intended to be more attractive to both experienced and beginning geographers as well as people interested in population and health issues, the content of the book explores the different approaches to the sub discipline. This should give a firm philosophical, methodological and conceptual grounding to the intending students and interested reader. Invariably therefore, studies in health geography will follow one or more of these approaches: medical geography approach, disease and human environments approach, disease diffusion approach and political approach.

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