

Editorial: Call for papers

With the new year looming, *Management in Healthcare* is seeking content for future issues, and we would be delighted to hear from readers who would be interested in sharing their experience and expertise by writing for the journal. Whether you specialise in a particular aspect of healthcare management, wish to share in-depth analysis of a major issue or development in the field, develop a best practice guide, share a case study of a healthcare management initiative you are especially proud of, or issue a 'call to arms' on a topic that fills you with passion or irritation, we would very much like to hear from you.

For those readers who have concerns that they are not professional writers — or may not have written anything in such depth since they left education — it is worth noting that almost all of our authors are in this position and that our peer-review process is intended to be supportive to authors rather than priding itself on its rejection rate. Nor do we expect authors to reinvent the wheel or — research papers aside — show exhaustive knowledge of existing literature or conduct original research. The essential aim and purpose of all our published material is simply to give healthcare management professionals rigorous, practical analysis and guidance that they can apply in their everyday work. Just thinking about the kind of article that you and your team would find of value makes an excellent starting point. Too much expertise in our community remains anecdotal, and the journal seeks to provide a forum for authors to collate and share their experience, lessons learned and bugbears with their peers.

Consequently, we are currently seeking submissions on topics including — but not limited to — the following:

- Administration and operations
- Healthcare finance and financial management
- Governance, risk and compliance
- Healthcare regulation
- Healthcare communications and media relations
- Procurement and supplier relationships
- Digital healthcare
- Human resources and training
- Healthcare delivery and systems
- Healthcare economics
- Information technology and records management
- Healthcare insurance
- Cost effective and efficient delivery of services
- Quality management
- Performance measurement
- Environmental health and safety
- Change management
- Organisational behaviour

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

The first available copy deadline for the submission of articles for publication is **12th April, 2019**. Later deadlines are available on request. The following types of submissions will be considered for publication:

- **Practice articles:** In-depth assessments of new and innovative strategies and techniques, latest and best practice, analysis of healthcare trends and developments, thought pieces and other contributions written by healthcare management professionals.
- **Case studies:** Detailed accounts of the planning and delivery of healthcare management initiatives. Case studies should address questions including: What has worked? What didn't go to plan? What

lessons were learned? What do you know now that you wish you knew when you set out?

- **Research papers:** Contributions that present new models, theories and applied research in healthcare management. These must have clear implications for professionals.

Contributions to the journal are welcome from professionals, researchers and academics. Articles should be 3,000–6,000 words, and all are subject to blind

peer review prior to being accepted for publication. Specific guidance on formatting submissions can be found at <https://www.henrystewartpublications.com/mih/instructions>. All submissions — and any queries — should be sent directly to me at the e-mail address below. We would be delighted to hear from you.

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