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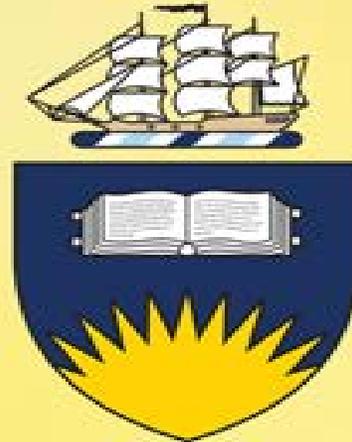
Writing for publication

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Programme



- Coffee and welcome
- Gordon Gregory- Chief Executive Officer, National Rural Health Alliance and Chair, Journal Advisory Committee
- The Australian Journal of Rural Health, purpose, aims and values
- David Perkins – Editor in chief
- The readership, sharing your research and recent publishing trends – Peter D’Onghia – Journal Publishing Manager Australia and New Zealand, Wiley
- Paper Types – Review, Original Research paper, Quality improvement report and short report – David Perkins
- Parallel sessions
 - Working on your text for those who have brought a text - DP
 - From PowerPoints to published paper for those who have brought PPTs –Jeff Fuller
- 3.45 Key learnings and close

AJRH Aim

... a multidisciplinary journal, which aims to facilitate the formation of interdisciplinary networks to build and advance rural practice for all health professionals.

Values

- Quality
- Relevance
- Usefulness
- Value to reader
- Challenge
- Sharing evidence with others
- Rural and Remote
- International interest

Academic issues



- Impact factor – 1.343
- Listed in Medline and most abstracting services
- Reviews, Original Research and Quality Improvement papers recognised for DEST etc
- FOR 11 and 16 – Medical and Health Science and Studies in Human Society

For guidance



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AJRH Author Guidelines

[http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/\(ISSN\)1440-1584/homepage/ForAuthors](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1440-1584/homepage/ForAuthors).



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General publishing guidelines

- www.Equator-Network.org
 - Randomised trials – CONSORT
 - Observational studies – STROBE
 - Systematic Reviews – PRISMA
 - Case reports – CARE
 - Qualitative research – SRQR, COREQ
 - Quality improvement studies – SQUIRE
 - Economic evaluations – CHEERS

Original research article

IMRaD

- Introduction
- Method
- Results
- Discussion



Quality improvement Study

SQUIRE

Study designed to assess the nature and effectiveness of an intervention to improve the quality and safety of care

Systematic Review

PRISMA

Summary of the empirical research evidence on a particular topic

- background
- objectives
- data sources
- study eligibility criteria
- participants and interventions
- study appraisal and synthesis method
- Results
- Limitations
- conclusions and implications of key findings

Exercise in pairs

Each pair given one of 2 articles

1. What are the strengths and weaknesses of this article?
2. Why do you think it was published?

Pair task



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- What is the problem – what don't we know?
- What is the question – that your paper will answer?
- What data do you have – what can you make of it/
who owns the data/ what can it tell you?
- How is your paper going to be useful to the readers
- what is the “so what”?
- Can you write well – how will you know?



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PowerPoints to paper: are conferences worth it?

Jeffrey Fuller





Purpose of conference presentation

- You have an external deadline
- The “so what” – to get the abstract accepted – might be your first external review of the idea
- Hone the argument – dot point take home message - forces you to clarify ideas
- Getting critique – may not get much of this in the presentation time slot – hence network

Critique



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- Set presentation up to get questions – ***how would you do this*** – (1) through what you say (2) leave time
- If you get no audience questions = death
- Don't get defensive
- All work gets better with critique – get your work out there – relatively risk free critique (ie its not a “reject with no resubmit”)

Networking



- Hear what other people doing in the field – how current are you - who is your competition
- Meet people in the field – may end up being your reviewers
- Meet journal editors

Other things



Should you publish in conference proceedings

- access via data bases
- peer reviewed
- citations and impact factors

Difference between argument via oral presentation and via text

- Flow of argument in text needs to be tighter
- amount of content (more or less)

Useful handouts

- Writing for publication – why?
- PowerPoint to paper – IMRad
- Editorial – A PowerPoint is for a conference, an article is forever
- Editorial – Writing an abstract: window to the world on your work
- Editorial - How would you recognise a good review?
- Editorial - Publishing in peer review journals: criteria for success

Why do papers get turned down for the AJRH?

- Why do you think?
- Handout

What have we learnt?



THANK YOU

DISCUSSION



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