How to Get Published in the Journal of Elder Abuse & Neglect

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The National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (NCPEA) is an association of researchers, practitioners, educators, and advocates dedicated to protecting the safety, security, and dignity of America's most vulnerable citizens.

The *Journal of Elder Abuse & Neglect (JEAN)* is the official publication of NCPEA. *JEAN* is an international, multidisciplinary publication featuring peer-reviewed research, reviews, practices, and commentary relating to the awareness, intervention, and prevention of all aspects of abuse, neglect, self-neglect, and exploitation of older adults.
About JEAN

- Double-blind peer-reviewed journal
- Multidisciplinary readership
- Beginning January 2013
  - Publishing five issues annually
  - All-electronic submission and review process through ScholarOne platform
Why publish your work in JEAN?

What does JEAN look for in manuscripts?

What type of manuscript will you submit?

What increases your chances of acceptance?
WHY PUBLISH IN JEAN?

- Generate new knowledge
- Share new knowledge
- Increase and promote the availability of documented, evidence-based research and practices
What does Jean look for in manuscripts?

- Significance to the field (theory, policy, practice)
- Originality
- Clear statement of the manuscript’s purpose
- Abstract accurately reflects and summarizes the manuscript
WHAT DOES JEAN LOOK FOR IN MANUSCRIPTS?

• Organization of the manuscript

• Quality of writing style (readability, use of clear, coherent, and concise language)

• Quality of writing mechanics (grammar, spelling, punctuation, etc.)

• References
Types of Submissions

Full-length Manuscripts

- empirical research grounded in existing literature
- unique contribution to the field
- typically draws upon data from surveys, administrative datasets, experiments, field studies
- 9,600 and 14,400 words in length
- generally include sections such as: introduction, methodology, findings, discussion, limitations, implications, conclusions, and references
Practices and Exploratory Studies

• highlight the findings of exploratory research and pilot studies, including case studies, focus groups, etc.

• feature promising and best practices for programming and clinical intervention, particularly those rooted in outcomes-based evaluation

• 4,800 to 7,200 words in length
Commentary and Reviews

• provide discussion and commentary on critical issues related to the policies and practices of elder abuse awareness, prevention, and response

• critical reviews of research, policy, and training

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GETTING ACCEPTED

Research Submissions (full-length manuscripts and exploratory pieces)

• Quality of research methodology
• Quality of analysis and interpretation of results
• Quality of discussion
• Quality of limitations
Never Underestimate the Importance of a Strong Ending!

• Limitations
• Revisiting the research question
• Implications (policy and practice)
• Recommendations
• Generally, submissions are reviewed and author notifications are sent in approximately 8-10 weeks, along with reviewers’ recommendations.

• Most manuscripts require some degree of revision before being accepted for publication.

• Revised manuscripts undergo a final review and, if approved, a final editing process, and authors will review and approve the final copy prior to publication.
• Remember that JEAN is a multidisciplinary journal with a multidisciplinary readership.

• Say it simply.

• Edit and proof before submitting.

• Have an independent reader review for comprehension, clarity, and writing mechanics.

• When revising, carefully consider the reviewers’ recommendations.
How do you get to Carnegie Hall?

Practice, practice, practice!
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