

## Call for Papers

### Focus on Inter-professional Collaboration

The *International Journal of Health Professions* (IJHP) is a open access academic journal with the aim of promoting the interdisciplinary and inter-professional collaboration of health professionals<sup>1</sup> in the areas of research, education and practice. The IJHP is supported by the Association for the Advancement of Science in the Health Professions and was founded in 2013 by the universities and universities of applied sciences with degree programmes in the health professions from Switzerland, Germany and Austria. For further information see: <http://www.ijhp.info>

### Topics

Demographic, epidemiological, technological, political and economic developments, as well as the changing expectations of all stakeholders, create great challenges for the health care system and for health professionals. Constructive solutions require a rethinking with regard to patient orientation and to the structures and processes in the health and education systems. Inter-professional and interdisciplinary cooperation of all health professionals and professionals from related disciplines (economics, social sciences, social workers, etc.) are the topics of the IJHP.

IJHP publishes original articles (research studies, reviews, theoretical and methodological topics) on the subjects of health care provision and health care professions with an interdisciplinary/ inter- professional perspective and focus on:

- studies of inter-professional collaboration from practice; problem-based and case-based collaboration; error and error management culture in inter-professional collaboration
- interdisciplinary clinical studies, assessments and outcomes
- patient perspective and participation in inter-professional health care
- promotion of self-determined participation in social activities, health and functioning in daily life from an interdisciplinary perspective
- cooperation and innovation in integrated health care, managed care, case management, e- health
- interfaces in sequential collaboration (patient pathways, treatment chains)
- health policy, health economics with interdisciplinary/ inter-professional relevance
- decision making science and development of evidence in health care provision
- Innovation in interdisciplinary research methods
- higher educational didactics and educational issues with interdisciplinary/ inter-professional relevance

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<sup>1</sup> Health Professionals: with higher educational qualification, e.g. nursing professionals, physiotherapists, midwives, occupational therapists, dieticians, medical practitioners, etc. This list is neither complete nor conclusive.



Articles with a primarily disciplinary approach have to state the relevance of the results/findings for the inter-professional/interdisciplinary focus of the IJHP in the introduction and discussion section.

### **Submitting manuscripts**

Contributions can be submitted electronically online, after registration as an author in the Editorial Manager system. The online submission system guides you through the process step by step. Prior to submission, authors should read with care the "instructions for authors" and the "editorial policy". All information and links can be found on the IJHP homepage: <http://www.ijhp.info>

Manuscripts are accepted in both the English and German languages: title, keywords and abstract must be submitted in both languages.

### **Review Process**

Submitted manuscripts will be subject to a two-step review process. In a first step, two members of the editorial board will decide whether a manuscript complies with the content and formal conditions required for further review. Compliant manuscripts will then be evaluated in a second peer review procedure.

### **Publication**

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We are looking forward to receipt of your manuscripts.

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