

■ ***Editorial***

Journal Values: A Professional Wish or a Challenge?

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"The journal magnifies the value of professional multidisciplinary health team' mutual understanding, cooperation & collaboration for better development of research, education & training through dissemination of updated evidence-based health care information for best practice of the health team."

Proudly, while reviewing the second issue of the first EJNHS volume 2020 - in print- it came to my mind and remembered the time when we decided to publish a journal in first hand.

First, I am sure it was the shared belief – as a aboard – that scientific research publication is the only approach toward professional development after acquisition of quality education and implementation of standardized practice of health care among all members of the health professionals within our Educational & Health service organizations.

Second, being personally convinced that "Nursing as a Profession" -and other health disciplines- is in need of more numbers of general and specialized scientific journals & magazines to disseminate more of the evidenced based, nationally and worldwide new professional knowledge, advancements, technological skills as well as professional traits needed for quality health care system. The quality that simply expressed as having "The right health professionals, doing the right job, in the right place", which is the primary step in initiating inter-professional culture and collaboration within our health organizations.

The EJNHS, is a newly published scientific journal in the field and the first among private Universities in Egypt. We were tempted by our university campus that includes five health related faculties, usually sharing activities of community services. Therefore, we called for & insisted on achieving the awareness of the multidisciplinary health team cooperation & collaboration in research projects to be published by the journal.

Thus , the decision was made, we successfully went through the phases of journal design , official approvals & support , then marketing whether face to face or by e-mail to our distinguished co- editors and reviewers representing all Egyptian accredited national faculties of nursing deans. In addition of academic staff of all MTI health faculties. All phases went smoothly, even I can say happily, full of enthusiasm and sense achievement.

Here we are, faced with the reality, while celebrating the publishing of volume (I) of 2 issues, both printed and in electronic versions. We had the honor of only one distinguished surgeon , who has believed in our vision and shared with us in his article his valuable thoughts " "Bringing - up a Free Mind in Education", referring to medical education & training.

In fact I considered his valuable participation as a light of hope to continue perusing on the vision of multidisciplinary approach and collaboration for building a national research data base production & utilization.

Finally, my answer and final impression after nearly more than a year of initiating the idea of journal issuing- targeting all health professionals- till now is **YES, IT IS A CHALLENGE**. Nevertheless, I am very optimistic as any change begins with an honest vision.

Yes, despite the challenges facing the scientific publishing community nationally & internationally. Many of which are:

- **" Recognition of Nursing as a Profession"**

Egyptian nurses were Leaders in Education, in health Planning, in clinical & community practice since the sixties. Yet their contributions are not attributed to the brilliant Nursing education curriculum, which entails an array of multidisciplinary courses as well as a rich experience in healthcare, but to the individual, ameliorating the effect of the nursing education upon individuals and the profession.

- More than 200,000 professional nurses are registered in the syndicate. Neglecting the positive impact this number can produce in the advancement of health care and health care management is absurd. Why are they not involved in collaborative research of the healthcare team? why are they not entrusted to provide data through their 24-hour presence in hospitals and the primary contact in the community?
- The case is in the fragmentation of the governing bodies of any profession Education, Practice & research.
- The only contribution of Nursing Research is in University based researches, aiming at promotion of academic staff, is not reflection on actual professional & overall community development.
- Ministry of Health as a national and central health planner does not receive copies of research papers or protocols developed for trial or application.

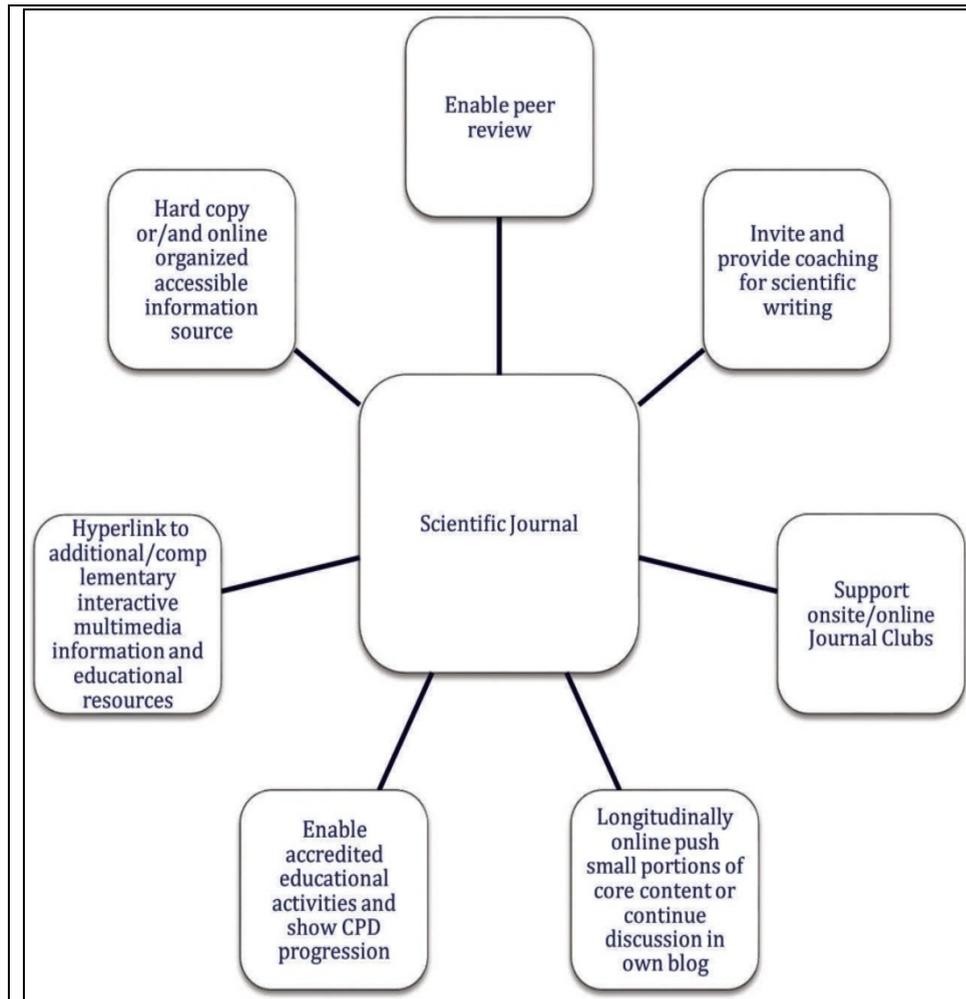
**Yes, we can meet all challenges if we all united as a
professional nursing community
'United we stand, divided we fall'**

"Scientific journals are only one tool to meet the goals of science; the availability of the scientific work to a larger circle of readers and increase of its visibility. The publishing of scientific articles is an obligation of scientific and academic professionals."

(Trajkovski,2015.)

Importance and purpose of a scientific journal

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