

Editorial

Once again I am delighted to bring together another issue of the journal with articles that reflect the diversity of intellectual activity among rehabilitation scholars in this part of the world.

Keri Chiverall's paper on re-embodiment and rehabilitation will, I'm sure, generate some discussion and debate. It is pleasing to see another student manuscript in the journal and I would encourage readers to continue to encourage students to submit their work. Bert Biggs continues themes in his article (that he was writing about back in the first issue of the journal) of professional skills and competencies. An analysis of the 17 issues of the journal published to date would reveal this topic to be the most frequently written about, which underscores the contemporary professional relevance of these concerns. Dr Roberts-Yates continues her support of the journal with two contributions. One is a qualitative analysis of the role of treating medical practitioners in the management of injured workers. The second is also a qualitative analysis of the comments of workers, employers, case managers, medical practitioners, and rehabilitation providers regarding rehabilitation provision to injured workers with a registered WorkCover claim in South Australia. Dr Murphy and her colleagues present a compelling qualitative analysis of the Compulsory Third Party (CTP) process for individuals injured in motor vehicle accidents in Queensland. My apologies to these authors as I had scheduled their manuscript for an earlier issue of the journal (9:1) and inadvertently omitted it from the final version of that issue.

I plan to update the list of consulting editors on the inside cover of the journal before the next issue is produced. If there is anyone within the diverse constituency that makes up the readership of this journal who would like to take on this role then please let me know (my contact details are on the inside back cover). The issue of peer review is an important one, and is a difficult process to maintain. Busy professionals who are asked to peer review a journal article often have to shift that task down the priority queue when more pressing and urgent professional concerns are knocking at the door. The timely production of the journal depends in part on the goodwill and patience of peer reviewers, so I would certainly encourage anyone who has an interest (and the research credentials) to nominate themselves for this role.

Can I draw attention to the guidelines for authors on the inside back cover? These were changed for issue 9:1 and are intended to apply henceforth. It would be helpful if potential contributors could take a look at these as there is often considerable editorial time taken up with reformatting articles to appropriate APA standards.

Thank you to the journal subscribers for their continued and patient support. The next issue will be the 10th birthday of the journal. The academic world is littered with journals that started with a bang and didn't last the distance so it is an impressive achievement for the *Australian Journal of Rehabilitation Counselling* to be thriving after the equivalent of 10 years of publication. Well done.

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