



Introduction

The Hispanic Dental Association is proud to launch the Journal of the Hispanic Dental Association (JHDA), a bilingual, quarterly, peer-reviewed journal dedicated to disseminating information related to Hispanic/Latino oral and systemic health.

Author Guidelines

The Journal of the Hispanic Dental Association (JHDA) invites you to submit manuscripts for consideration in this scholarly journal. The journal welcomes literature reviews, case reports and other manuscripts related to:

- Hispanic/Latino oral health
- Innovations in dentistry
- Esthetics
- Oral-systemic health
- Informatics and technology (electronic health records, teledentistry, etc.)
- Public health (epidemiology, social determinants of health and access to care)
- Allied health professions- dental hygiene, dental assistant, dental therapist
- Dental specialties
- Ethics and professionalism
- Community outreach
- General dentistry
- Higher education/academic careers
- Recruitment and retention of dental, and allied health students

The Journal of the Hispanic Dental Association is supported by a panel of distinguished peer reviewers and an editorial board. Members are comprised of highly respected professionals in the field of dentistry and public health, including dentists, dental hygienists and public health professionals, who are published scholars and researchers.

Submission

All new manuscripts must be submitted via email to journal@hdassoc.org. All contributions will be initially assessed by the Editor for suitability for JHDA. Manuscripts deemed suitable are then typically sent to a minimum of 2 independent expert reviewers to assess the scientific quality of the manuscript. The Editor is responsible for the final decision regarding acceptance or rejection of articles. The Editor's decision is final. **Manuscripts under 2,000 words are preferred and must include a title page which will contain each author's name, degrees, professional title, work affiliations, telephone and email address.** Manuscripts must be submitted as Word documents; pages should have 1-inch margins and must be numbered consecutively throughout the document using American Medical Association Manual of Style. Only manuscripts which are original, have not been published elsewhere and have been submitted exclusively to JHDA will be considered for publication. After manuscripts are accepted, the JHDA reserves the right to edit manuscripts for conciseness, clarity and style consistency.

Manuscript categories

Manuscript type	Description
Original research	Original research submissions should be hypothesis-based, qualitative or mixed methods studies of basic, behavioral, clinical, or translational research. Research manuscripts must include ethical approval (Institutional Review Board) information. Studies involving human subjects must include a statement on how informed consent was obtained. <i>Sample: Prevalence of periodontitis according to Hispanic or Latino background among study participants of the Hispanic Community Health Study/Study of Latinos</i>
Original research-case report	An individual case report includes: description of the disorder/condition, treatment plan, application, and outcomes (if applicable, include prevention methods). Additionally, submission may also describe a novel surgical technique(s), breakthrough in technology and/or practical approaches to recognized clinical challenges.
Literature review	Literature reviews offer a comprehensive presentation of relevant and primary published material on a specific topic. Submissions that focus on trends or areas of critical interest or concern to the Hispanic populations are especially desired. <i>Sample: Clinical Presentation of Behcet's Disease</i>
Editorials	Approximately 500 words, these submissions relate to issues raised and articles published in JHDA, as well as current events or topics not previously features in JHDA. <i>Sample: From Access to Advocacy</i>

Illustrations, charts, images, tables

Captions must be included for all illustrations, charts, tables and images. If not the work of the author(s), permissions must accompany the manuscript if the illustrations, charts, images, tables from the original source. Images should be digital high resolution (300 dpi minimum) for satisfactory reproduction. Original digital images, rather than scanned photographs, are preferable.

Ethics

Authors must disclose any financial, economic or professional interests that may influence positions presented in the article. This disclosure will be published with the article. Authors must receive permission from individuals identified in a manuscript as a source of information via personal communication or as a source for unpublished data. Any studies involving patients must involve an IRB (Institutional Review

Board) approval with proper documentation. If the patient for a case report is from a private practice then approved consent forms may be used that inform patients, parents or guardians that images and information for their case will be made public for educational purposes. Copies of all forms related to a patient or patients must be made available to JHDA that release the HDA and JHDA from any legal action.