

BRK Global Healthcare Journal Guidelines

Cover Letter

- Include a cover letter addressed to the editor with your submission. The cover letter must state that the research has received institutional review board (IRB) approval, when suitable, and that the paper is neither presently under consideration at another publication nor will be while it is under consideration with *BRK Global Healthcare Journal*. It also must state that all co-authors have both contributed substantially to the paper and have approved the version being submitted.

Abstract and Key Words

- An **abstract** of approximately 250 words should be included. Authors should also supply a list of four to six **Key Words**.

Length of Manuscript

- Manuscripts are generally expected to be no longer than about **25 pages** in total length.

Writing Style and Format

- Authors should submit the manuscripts professionally prepared in accordance with the ***Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 6th edition, 2009***. Instrument(s) may be included in an appendix, to be published at the discretion of the editors.
- Please submit all documents as **Word files** (rather than as pdfs).
- Double-space throughout.

References

- Reference should be written in APA 6th edition and alphabetical order.

Types of Manuscripts

The journal accepts original work to include case studies, empirical studies, meta-analysis, meta-analysis, theoretical paper, analytical review of literature, meta-synthesis, and policy analysis paper.

Case Studies

- A **case** can be nearly any analysis, including individuals, organizations, events, or actions. Research method involving an up-close, in-depth, and detailed examination of a particular case. The case study can be a particular study in clinical practice for treatment of a patient and a particular firm strategy in a business.
- **Case studies** may involve both qualitative, quantitative research methods and a single subject research that provide the statistical framework for making inferences from quantitative case-study data.

Empirical Studies

- **Empirical research** is a type of **research** methodology that makes use of verifiable evidence to arrive at **research** outcomes. This type of **research** relies solely on evidence obtained through observation or scientific data collection methods.
- In **empirical research**, the researcher arrives at outcomes by testing empirical evidence using qualitative or quantitative methods of observation, as determined by the nature of the research.

Meta-analysis

- **Meta-analysis** is a **quantitative, formal, epidemiological study design** used to systematically assess the results of previous **research** to derive conclusions about that body of **research**. Typically, but not necessarily, the study is based on randomized, controlled clinical trials.

Theoretical Paper

- A **theoretical paper** contains or refers to new or established abstract principles related to a specific field of knowledge. These **papers** may not normally contain research or present experimental data.

Analytical Review of Literature

- A **literature review** is a critical **analysis** of published sources, or **literature**, on a particular topic. It is an assessment of the **literature** and provides a summary, classification, comparison, and evaluation.

Meta-synthesis

- **Meta-synthesis is** the systematic **review** and integration of findings from **qualitative studies**. It is an emerging technique in medical research that can use many different methods. Nevertheless, the method must be appropriate to the specific scientific field in which it is used.

Policy Analysis Paper

- The **policy paper analysis paper** provides a comprehensive and persuasive argument justifying the policy recommendations presented in the paper, and therefore to act as a decision-making tool and a call to action for the target audience.

Submission for Publication

- Please submit article for review Dr. Bernice Roberts Kennedy to publish for publication at brkhealthcare.com.

Empirical studies are the collection and **analysis** of primary data based on direct observation or experiences in the 'field'.

Descriptive or observational **studies**, that...