EDITORIAL NOTES



## From the Editor of Sexuality and Disability: Reflection

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## Introduction

The journal, *Sexuality and Disability*, continues to be a professional home and a place of professional rejuvenation for study and advancement. Many have followed the journal since the 1970's. If you are new to the journal, we always give to you a "*BIG WELCOME*" and invite you to participate as a reader, author, academician, clinician, educator, service provider, researcher, advocate, special issue guest editor, or person seeking information. Over the years of contribution to the literature on sexuality and disability healthcare, we have been a part of the growth, understanding, discovery and advocacy. Most important, we continue to be a part of the change in how we look and examine the topic, the needs, the responsibility and the response in terms of best practice-evidence based approaches. With intelligence, experience, motivation, and supportive dedication from our authors, readership, national and international peer reviewers and editorial board members, and resources combined with the valuable guidance from the Springer Staff; our journal's mission continues to be meaningful and productive. Our international effort continues as a strength in the field of sexuality and disability.

Since 1978, *Sexuality and Disability* has pushed for pragmatic knowledge to have impact on education, research, policy and practice. *Sexuality and Disability* makes available original impact articles addressing the mental health and medical healthcare aspects of sexuality in relation to rehabilitation, hospital, academic, and community settings, publishing up-to-date articles, invited case studies and special issues, clinical practice reports, reviews, featured articles, historical articles, special grand rounds topics, brief research reports, and survey data reports. Value benefit is provided to authors through worldwide electronic exposure and professional access, while readership gains knowledge from scholarly contributions to advance the field through research, evidence-based, best-practice and educational articles. Individual contributions from the local and international community delivers a wealth of information with broad perspectives on the topic of sexuality and disability.

Let's take a moment to give appreciation to our Editorial Board, Peer Reviewers, Contributors, Readership and Springer. The journal continues to be of interest to many! There are several metric factors involved measuring a journal's health and quality. As an overview, the following is offered. As of May 2022, there were 59,957 downloads for the

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journal. For 2020, there were a total of 103,599 and 120,179 in 2021 showing a continued increase. *Sexuality and Disability* has received a 2021 impact factor of 1.899 and a 2021 CitScore of 1.7.

While staying focus and committed to our journal's mission, we do acknowledge the significant life challenges we face locally, nationally and internationally. Sincere best thoughts, energies and hopes are sent globally.

Thank you for joining our professional family. Sigmund Hough, Ph.D., ABPP/rp Editor-in-Chief, *Sexuality and Disability* 

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