editorial



## A Change for the Better

In the last few years, the Brazilian Journal of Physical Therapy (BJPT) has shown all of its dynamism by making the necessary changes to promote its sustained growth and fulfill its editorial mission. These changes include a substantial increase in the visibility of the Journal's publications as a result of indexing in bibliographic databases such as SciELO - Scientific Electronic Library Online (2006), Periodica (2007), Scopus (2008), Web of Science, *Journal Citation Reports/Science Edition (Thomson Scientific)*, Medline/PubMed (2010), and Redalyc (2011). However, improvement is a continuous process and new changes are underway to enhance the Journal's editorial quality. We wish to explain these changes to our readers.

New editorial alternatives are now available that will allow the Journal to maintain its growth and professionalism. One of these resources is found in the ScholarOne, an editorial management system for scientific journals used by important international scientific journals and offered in Brazil by SciELO in partnership with Thomson Reuters. Thus, the BJPT has recently started to receive new submissions through this system, which also allows the follow-up of articles under review.

As part of this process of change and adaptation to the new SciELO requirements, we are also altering the format of the articles, which will include the PubMed Central (PMC) tagging system with full texts in XML. This will make it easier to search and access the articles and consequently increase the Journal's impact factor.

Among other welcome changes coming this year, there is the adjustment of the Journal's title. During the second semester of 2012, we consulted with Thomson Scientific, Medline (National Institute of Health), SciELO, and IBICT (Brazilian Institute of Information in Science and Technology) regarding the possibility of having the English title, Brazilian Journal of Physical Therapy, as the Journal's main title. After considering the positive feedback from these institutions, we advised the technical team at SciELO that, starting with volume 17.1 (2013), the Journal would officially adopt the main title, Brazilian Journal of Physical Therapy (BJPT), and the respective abbreviated title, Braz. J. Phys. Ther. This change will also contribute to the internationalization of the BJPT, while maintaining its Brazilian identity.

This continuous process of changes and improvement must be shared by all. We cannot remain indifferent to the new editorial demands that come from our integration in the international scene. Therefore, it is with great pleasure that we present the new Brazilian Journal of Physical Therapy (BJPT), with updated cover, format, and layout. We hope that the Journal's improved and dynamic design will please the scientific community.

Above all, we will strive to maintain the same level of excellence achieved thus far.

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