Call for Manuscripts

Themed Issue on Dissemination and Implementation Sciences in Translational Science

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We are issuing this Call for Papers for a special themed issue of the Journal of Clinical and Translational Science which will focus on the Dissemination and Implementation Sciences in Translational Science. Our goal is to highlight concepts that form the foundation for and assess the current state of aspects of Dissemination and Implementation research conducted with the intention of moving research into practice. This themed issue seeks to advance the “Science of Dissemination and the Science of Implementation” through articles on aspects of the emergence of D&I sciences and their contribution to the Triple Aim of better care, better outcomes, and greater value of healthcare and to the goals of the Clinical and Translational Science efforts.

We are particularly interested in augmenting concepts and definitions of dissemination and implementation with rigorous empirical studies that elucidate, operationalize and/or assess dissemination and/or implementation research and the contribution (actual or potential) of D&I to the spread and uptake of evidence into the next stage across the spectrum of translational science with the intention of improving healthcare delivery and health outcomes.

We invite a wide range of papers from D&I projects across each stage of the knowledge transformation continuum, particularly in the implementation of evidence-based practice into everyday practice.

Submissions should be made online via the Journal’s ScholarOne submission site. Authors are asked to select “Dissemination and Implementation Sciences in Translational Science” in the Themed Issue submission question when submitting to this issue. Accepted articles will be published online in FirstView ahead of being compiled into the themed issue.

Manuscripts may be submitted for peer review in any of the Journal’s article types listed here. For a full description of each manuscript category, as well as, information on the submission of manuscripts, journal policy and journal style, please visit the JCTS Instructions for Contributors on Cambridge Core. The deadline to submit manuscript to this themed issue is October 31, 2019.

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As part of the themed issue, a guest editorial will be developed by co-editors Stevens and Tobin to provide a high-level view including the following:

- Evolution and importance of D&I sciences
- Need for D&I research to impact population health
- The place of D&I in the CTSA spectrum
- Emergence of D&I theories, methods, funding mechanisms
- Basic requirements of D&I research (interprofessional teams, team science, engagement of clinical and academic partners, expanded view of research methods, taxonomies categorizing organization interventions, systems thinking, human factors and systems engineering)
- IOM review of CTSA progress across the translational spectrum
- Highlights of the articles in the themed issue
- A table of links to D&I articles previously-published in JCTS

Questions regarding this themed issue should be directed to the Guest Co-Editors listed above via the JCTS Editorial Office (jcts@cambridge.org).