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About this Journal

The Primary Care Research Institute felt that it was important to create a forum for our institute to distribute information to our collaborative partners about the ongoing research endeavors being initiated in the PCRI/NorTex. *The goal of the Journal is to...*

- Promote professional writing opportunities for faculty, staff, students, trainees, and collaborative partners
- Promote discussions regarding innovative primary care and public health related ideas
- Promote collegiality among the PCRI/NorTex members
- Promote collaboration among PCRI/NorTex partners
- Increase visibility of the Primary Care Research Institute
- Increase awareness of our training program—The Primary Care Research Fellowship
- Increase involvement of staff, faculty, students, trainees, and collaborative partners in primary care and public health education and research

Formatting Guidelines for the Journal

Details on typesetting and layout requirements pertaining to final manuscript submissions to *The Primary Care Research Journal* are listed below. *Case Report Collaborators should use the following format to submit a case report to the Journal.*

1. Word limit 750 words
2. AMA or APA Format
3. Word Document
4. Use generic names for all medications
5. No patient identifiers may be used
6. Sections
 - Abstract
 - Patient Presentation
 - Literature Review
 - Discussion
 - Conclusion
 - Citations

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2. AMA or APA Format
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Editor's Corner

PRIMARY CARE RESEARCH



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Collaboration is instrumental for true translational research and improved wellness for our patients and communities. However, this does not mean that collaboration only occurs in the academic settings. Many of the historical limitations in improving population health have been a result of “silo” research. That is, doing research within a vacuum of one entity, whether it is an individual, department, school, or community. Collaboration is a difficult process since it entails a multi-directional approach with many perspectives in terms of importance and how to best address a specific health issue. Nonetheless, we need to learn how to take knowledge from the basic science, clinical, public health fields and develop methods to implement effective and sustainable interventions in the communities (with the communities) and clinical settings we live in. Results of traditional research are no different from books sitting on a shelf collecting dust if what is learned can not be adapted into new research ideas or interventions. How do we know when we have achieved the end-result of translational research? It is when we effectively improve the health and wellness of our communities in a self-sustaining manner.

The Primary Care Research Institute is doing this very thing with collaborations occurring within the UNT Health Science Center, between organizations across North Texas, and with our communities. The researchers at the PCRI and our collaborators strive to make a “dent” in health for our patients and communities through innovative, translational, and meaningful work. In fact, the word “meaningful” is frequently used in our discussions when identifying areas of need for research and how we conduct our research. The interdisciplinary nature of our team allows the way we approach our research possible.

As we move into our 3rd year as the PCRI we will reorganize and contribute to the wellness of the greater DFW area like never before through instrumental collaborative efforts. We can guarantee that no study will become a dusty old book on our shelves.

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