



# THE JOURNAL OF CLINICAL PSYCHIATRY

## PUBLISHER'S NOTE

### A New Decade

It's time to "turn the page" to 2020 with a look back at our accomplishments of the past decade.

During the past 10 years, *The Journal of Clinical Psychiatry* has greatly increased its presence online, and several years ago we began publishing a weekly online edition in order to provide our readers with a continuous stream of new research. JCP is still available in print as a bimonthly offering, and—speaking of the print edition—I would like to put to rest a couple of misconceptions by emphasizing two points. First, JCP articles that appear online but not in print are, unequivocally, of equal weight and quality as those appearing in print. Second, all JCP articles are indexed, both those in print and those that are published exclusively online. The online edition of JCP contains all of the printed articles as well and is the edition of record.

In reviewing the decade's statistics, we found some interesting trends in the subject matter of the submissions. We found drops in submissions on depression, bipolar disorder, and schizophrenia and increases in geriatric psychiatry (including Alzheimer's disease), substance use disorder, and women's mental health. Other disease states, such as attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder, child and adolescent psychiatry, and suicide remained steady. JCP continues to receive, on average, 500 submissions per year, with an acceptance rate of just over 20%. And I'm pleased to note that by increasing efficiency via the tools of modern publishing technology, JCP has reduced the time between acceptance and publication to 4 months, on average.

We are also proud of our CME program and its growth over the past decade. Over the past 10 years, the CME Institute has created nearly 500 activities, which have attracted over 250,000 participants and resulted in the issuance of over 150,000 certificates. Most importantly, CME Institute's activities are consistently rated highly on interest, fair balance, and relevance.

The past decade has indeed been a period of growth and many successes—they could not have happened without our wonderful editors, advisors, and staff. It is my promise that we will continue our efforts and strengthen our offerings during the next 10 years. We look forward to working with our authors and peer reviewers to continue publishing our quality journal for you, our readers.



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