

Editorial note for Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

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Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry is a multidisciplinary scholarly periodical that encourages research on the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of mental disorders in children, adolescents, and their families. It mainly focuses on developmental disorders (Autism spectrum disorder), Disorders of Attention and Behaviour, Psychotic Disorders, Mood Disorders, Anxiety Disorders, Eating Disorders and Gender Identity Disorder.

I am pleased to mention that during the year 2019, all issues of volume 3 were published online well within the time and the print issues were also brought out and dispatched within 30 days of publishing the issue online. JCAP during this year also brought out a supplement to Jan-Feb 2019 issue, which consisted of 151 abstracts of an international conference on public health. Besides JCAP also brought out an online special issue in 2019. The JCAP has about 25 plus million website visitors and 16864 plus journal visitors. We are an e-journal and there are no limits on the number or size of papers we can publish so, you will not be rejected due to lack of space or other issues.

During the calendar year 2019, JCAP received a total of 25 papers, out of which 10 articles were rejected in the preliminary screening due to

plagiarism or being out of the format. During 2019 around 25 articles were subjected to the peer-review process and 15 of those were accepted. In the 3 issues of Volume 3 published during the year 2019, a total of 3 articles were published (at an average of 2 articles per issue) of which, 50 % articles were by foreign authors. A total of 60 research scientists from India and abroad reviewed the 4 articles published in volume 3. Average publication lag time of an article was further reduced to 6-8 months.

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