Editorial

Nearly 2 years have passed since we embarked on our journey with *Dubai Medical Journal* (DMJ). Many things have happened, including our first volume being released online. We look at 2019 as a year of consolidation for DMJ, with 4 issues published this year, including a special issue on women's health. We are very much grateful for Dubai Health Authority's continuous support along with the commitment given by our managerial board, editorial members, and international editors, which has made our objectives attainable.

Awareness of the journal has spread to most of our colleagues in Dubai, who have collaborated with the project as authors and peer reviewers. Hence, I would like to encourage our readers to become a part of our community as reviewers in their field of expertise. CME points are awarded based on the time spent on a review. We would also like to encourage nursing and medical technology papers, which we look forward to incorporating in our future journal editions.

With the group's commitment to developing and strengthening DMJ, having our journal listed in PubMed is seen as an achievable objective. As the Editor-in-Chief, I will ensure that all the necessary steps are taken to achieve this as a priority.

Needless to say, as an international journal, we welcome authors and original publications from any country. In addition, we would also like to place emphasis on the work of Arab nationals, as limited data are currently published for our subset of the population, despite there being brilliant researchers and scientists within our countries. DMJ will hopefully act as a catalyzer for our region and beyond.

To summarize, 2019 represents a year of consolidation for DMJ. We have brought our free online format to the scientific community, enabling our audience grow, whilst accommodating paper submission and making yet more achievements as part of another milestone for Dubai.

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