

**FROM THE EDITOR**



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Following a welcomed return to the in-person format of the AMWA Medical Writing & Communication Conference in November of 2022, the Spring 2023 issue of *AMWA Journal* is dedicated to exploring trends and opportunities in medical communication. This also marks the one-year anniversary of the journal's transition to a digital platform, which by all accounts has been well received.

In the current issue, among other topics, we explore the use of artificial intelligence and machine learning in clinical research and health care, updated guidance on reporting race and ethnicity, the value of medical writers in continuing education for health professionals, and we provide session reports from the annual conference.

In subsequent issues this year, the themes will be Publications (Summer 2023, led by Guest Editor Qing Zhou), Global Medical Communication (Fall 2023, led by Guest Editor Elizabeth Kukielka), and Ethics (Winter 2023, led by Guest Editor Julie Ravo). As always, we welcome your contributions as authors, whether for a regular section, on a theme topic, or otherwise. Please see the journal's website for instructions for authors.

Back by popular demand, we are excited to announce that we will resume a section on career development to address issues of interest to those wishing to break into the medical communication profession, as well as career advancement for mid-stage and experienced professionals. We are recruiting for a career development section editor, so please contact me at [journaleditor@amwa.org](mailto:journaleditor@amwa.org) if you wish to be considered for the role.

The *AMWA Journal* will continue to bring you great content every quarter, and on an ongoing basis, we invite your input on the digital format.