

REBEn: increasing the contribution

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The Revista Brasileira de Enfermagem, the first scientific nursing journal in Brazil, is presenting to its subscribers and readers, the first issue of its new volume 62.

In a moment in which we are concerned with the proliferation of new journals in different knowledge areas, when scientific community is seeking to formulate criteria for quality guarantee, the prestige and recognition of the publication in national and international scope, the commitment of keeping the journal regularity is also a goal, as well as to preserve the quality of the articles that are published.

In the development of editorial proposals, a multitude of challenges are faced: the small penetration of Portuguese language in other countries, the low acceptance in international scientific communities and its restrict indexation in international databases. Those difficulties require policies that contribute for the periodical qualification, in another hand, restrict the innovation possibilities as an example, technological one, due to the insufficient resources.

The complexity of a scenario that is requiring, at the same time, the journal maximum qualification with resources each time more scanty, also requires the formulation of collective coping strategies. The Forum of Nursing Journals Editors is standing as a space of political articulation for the strengthening of journals of the area. The purpose of this group is to consolidate the forum as a possibility for increasing the process of experience interchange that allows both quantitative and qualitative growing of nursing journals.

Editors, authors and researchers, as well as the agencies responsible for journals evaluation, need to consider that a journal, while a tool for scientific communication, must be useful to society, allowing the appropriateness and critical application of the published knowledge.

The REBEn, as a part of this scenario, is in permanent process for qualification. For this, it is supported by researchers, authors and reviewers contributions, as well as of a set of online submission procedures that are updated to modern technological needs of this time.

In this perspective, in the year when REBEn is to reach its 77 years of diffusion of Brazilian nursing knowledge, the REBEn is seeking to consolidate its contribution as one of the most important Brazilian nursing journals by increasing the amount of the articles published in each issue from the actual 20 to 25, 150 each year.

In this way, it is expected to contribute for the projection of Brazilian journals that are beginning its introduction in international databases such as Web of Science, Medline, Scopus, etc, as well as to produce an impact on the projection of nursing science in Brazil.

The production of a periodical and the challenge of its qualification is not a lonely action, in REBEn's case, it is a result of the collective work of all head directors of the Brazilian Nursing Association, of the editorial board, subscribers and authors. For those who are involved, we thank for the confidence and wish to continue having your participation in the construction of REBEn.