



## 2022 Editorial Schedule & Author Guidelines

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### Author Schedule

#### Issue/Circulation Dates

Spring 2022: Lasting Effects of COVID-19  
Summer 2022: Mental and Behavioral Health  
Fall 2022: Health Myths  
Winter 2022: Family Medicine Education

#### Article Submission Deadline

Wednesday, January 5, 2022  
Wednesday, April 6, 2022  
Wednesday, July 6, 2022  
Wednesday, October 5, 2022

### Article Types

- Letter to the Editor
- Clinical
- Practice Management
- Policy/Advocacy
- Education/Professional Development
- Art of Medicine

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### Author Eligibility

Active or Life members of the Ohio Academy of Family Physicians (OAFP) are invited to submit any article type.

Students, family medicine residents, family physicians who are non-members, other physicians, and/or healthcare professionals may serve as primary authors, but should either have an Active or Life member of the OAFP serve as a co-author or sign a statement saying that they have reviewed the article and feel that it is well written, evidence-based, unbiased, and pertinent to family physicians. Generally, medical students should not serve as primary authors for clinical articles.

### Contributing Guidelines

- General interest articles should be approximately 600 words in length. Clinical articles may be as long as 900 words.
- The content should relate to the interests of family physicians, family medicine residents, and medical students with an interest in family medicine. If you are uncertain about the suitability of your material, please review past issues online at [www.ohioafp.org/news-publications/the-ohio-family-physician](http://www.ohioafp.org/news-publications/the-ohio-family-physician), or contact Lauren Heberling by emailing [lheberling@ohioafp.org](mailto:lheberling@ohioafp.org) or calling 800.742.7327.
- Articles on controversial topics will be judged individually on their merits. The editor reserves the right to accept or reject individual contributions in the interest of the readership, space availability, and good taste. The editor also may revise copy with these considerations in mind.
- When composing your article, please write in plain English and avoid jargon, complexity, and passive sentences as much as possible. Organize your thoughts logically and simply. All abbreviations should be written out prior to initial use. All articles that contain factual statements should cite supporting references on a separate reference sheet.
- Review and proofread your material to perfect both the content and word choice. Prior to submitting the article, it is helpful to have someone else review your copy for readability and accuracy.
- When submitting your article, please include your completed *TOFP* Author Information Form.