From the Editor

This issue of the Journal of Back and Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation is the first of a two-part series on disability evaluation. This issue is presented in an effort to generate discussion and debate on the topic of disability evaluation (see Editor’s Note, page 147).

Also in this issue is the second installment of our new Alternative Medicine Column. The subject of this column is Shiatsu massage therapy and we hope you find it interesting and educational.

As always, we continue to encourage your comments on the subject matter presented in the Journal. Your comments will be reprinted in the Journal as either a letter to the editor or a commentary. If your comments are directed toward a specific article published, we make every effort to contact the author for his or her response and to then publish all the comments and responses in a point/counterpoint type of format.

In addition, the Journal of Back and Musculoskeletal Rehabilitation is currently accepting manuscripts to be considered for publication. Please see instructions for authors published in issue 6:1 of the Journal. We hope you find this issue both educational and interesting.

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