

From the Editor

As Isaac Asimov wrote, “*It is change, continuing change, inevitable change, that is the dominant factor in society today. No sensible decision can be made any longer without taking into account not only the world as it is, but the world as it will be*”.

When I started *WORK* in 1990, I never envisioned its extraordinary steady growth over 30 years. Currently, we are receiving on average 40–50 manuscripts each month, our Impact Factor has steadily increased and *WORK* is indexed widely.

This growth can be attributed to the steadfast efforts of our authors, our Editorial Board members, external reviewers, Mandy, my assistant, past assistants, and our very supportive publisher, IOS Press, in particular Marion and her sheer determination! I am grateful to each one of you for your support.

In pondering these last 30 years, *WORK* grew slowly with first publishing four issues a year, then moving to eight issues and for the last eight years, expanded to monthly issues. In each transition, we continued to publish high quality peer-reviewed manuscripts covering the entire scope of the occupation of work globally.

Three years ago, we started a monthly *Learn at WORK* webinar series available on the *Learn at WORK* YouTube channel, monthly blogs by Editorial Board members, Amy, Valerie and Jenny, which can be found on our workjournal.org website.

As we enter our 31st year, in collaboration with IOS Press, we made the decision to move the submission and review process for *WORK* to the Editorial Manager platform. Many of you may already be familiar with this electronic platform since it is used by other journals. Despite having an online submission and review process, we will continue to maintain our personal touch with a focus on being author centric.

This issue contains two COVID-19 commentaries and 22 manuscripts on a variety of topics such as making music to making lives better: a transition from musician to health professional, E-learning perception and satisfaction among healthcare students amid the COVID-19 pandemic, exposure to fume and

gas emission from welding operations, and an ergonomic intervention to reduce musculoskeletal disorders among flour factory workers, among other important topics.

I hope you’ve been enjoying the *Learn at WORK* webinars. Here are the first six webinars for 2021. I hope you will join us:

Wednesday, January 27, 2021 from 1-2pm EST

A pilot model for provider training to address brain injury in health care for the homeless settings

Presenter: Dr. Caitlin Synovec, CESynovec@gmail.com

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7147982674392062476>

Thursday, Feb 18, 2021 at 1-2pm EST

Taking care of the researcher – a nature and art-related activity retreat sharing natural space put humanity in perspective

Presenter: Professor Eva Bojner Horwitz, E-mail: eva.bojner-horwitz@kmh.se

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6844009491323621646>

Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 1-2pm EST

The importance of health management and maintenance occupations while homeless

Presenters: Quinn Tyminski, tyminskiq@wustl.edu and Ariana Gonzalez

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/9081127525691332879>

Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 1-2pm EST

Coping on the inside: Design for therapeutic incarceration interventions

Presenters: Dr. Amy Wagenfeld, awagenfe@bu.edu and Dr. Daniel Winterbottom, E-mail: nina@uw.edu

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5946523230165220366>

Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 1-2pmEST

The role of office features and psychosocial working conditions

Presenters: Dr. Sarah Lütke Lanfer, E-mail: sarah.luetkelanfer@psychologie.uni-freiburg.de and Dr. Anja Göritz, E-mail: goeritz@psychologie.uni-freiburg.de

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2971930860503787533>

Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at 1-2pmEST

Telehealth in school-based practice: Perceived viability to bridge global occupational therapy practitioner shortages prior to COVID-19 global health emergency

Presenters: Cynthia Abbott-Gaffney, cynthia4@bu.edu and Karen Jacobs

Registration: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2425795738833723661>

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As always, I look forward to hearing from you. Be safe and healthy.

Cheers,



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