

# Acknowledgement to the reviewers of Belize Journal of Medicine

Reconocimiento a los revisores de Belize Journal of Medicine

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As part of its development plan, BJM has increased its publication frequency to three issues per year, and the number of manuscripts received and processed in 2023 was higher than ever before. This required the efforts of the editorial team and the participation of reviewers who, altruistically, contribute to the journal publishing higher quality articles.

Reviewers play a crucial role in ensuring the quality and integrity of published research, as their expertise and insights contribute to the refinement of manuscripts. Without the dedicated efforts of reviewers, the peer-reviewed journal system would face significant challenges in maintaining its standards of excellence and credibility.

Our reviewers, often working quietly behind the scenes, invest countless hours scrutinizing manuscripts, offering constructive feedback, and helping authors refine their research. This critical work not only upholds the quality of the BJM but also fosters a culture of continuous improvement and academic excellence within our medical community.

In an era where the rapid dissemination of information is crucial, our reviewers' meticulous attention to detail ensures that only the most reliable and impactful research is shared with our readers. Their commitment to maintaining the integrity of the peer-review process is a testament to their professionalism and dedication to the field of medicine.

It is our aim to provide our reviewers with guidelines that help them in the process; at the same time, we editors intend to facilitate their work with a previous editorial review that rejects those manuscripts not fitting the basic journal's standards. These changes should result in a faster editorial process and also in a more effective evaluation of the papers received.

The papers submitted to the journal, are always improved by the critical analyses and constructive suggestions made by the reviewers. Their contribution is essential to our purpose of moving to a higher stage. Thank you for your outstanding work!

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