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Novice Author Gets Tremendous Support



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Having never submitted a manuscript before, it was quite evident after my first round of reviews came back that I was a novice author. I had conducted a research study at Baptist Health South Florida (BHSF), but had never taken the leap to share my findings with "the world". When I saw that BHSF had developed its own online open access journal, I decided to take that leap. After submitting my initial manuscript, I received constructive feedback from which I learned so much. After receiving a second set of reviews after my re-submission, I learned even more. I also learned it is okay to reach out to colleagues for help. I had written the initial and revised manuscripts myself, feedback from without any input or colleagues. Both times, my reviewers

encouraged me to have a fresh set of experienced eyes review my manuscript for clarity. Both times, my reviewers stated that what I wanted to share was important and to not give up. So I finally got the message and had an expert set of eyes review my paper which provided me with so much insight. Submitting my manuscript to Nursing & Health Sciences Research Journal has been such a valuable learning experience. The reviewers were candid in their feedback, but at the same time encouraging and supportive. I encourage all novice authors, those who have conducted studies but never wrote about them, to submit their manuscripts to Nursing & Health Sciences Research Journal and receive the same support and encouragement I did.