

GUIDELINES FOR REVIEWERS

General: All manuscripts submitted to HOPH for publication are sent to two independent reviewers who have expertise in the subject discussed. Reviewers are requested to assess the value of the manuscript from a scholarly and research point of view and to comment on the value of the work presented in the manuscript. Manuscripts must be handled as confidential and protected from distribution prior to publication.

Clarity of presentation: The reviewers' task is to comment on the viability of the work as a whole, the accuracy of the methods and results, the originality, etc. For many readers, English is not the native language. It is therefore important that the papers be written in a clear and concise style. Once a manuscript is approved for publication by the reviewers, the editors will work on improving its style and presentation, especially when authors' fluency in English is not satisfactory.

Manuscript Review Form: Reviewers are invited to complete a Manuscript Review Form and add comments on the Form or on separate sheets if necessary. The review process is confidential; reviewers' names are not disclosed unless explicitly requested by reviewers.

Deadline for review: All research papers are submitted to preliminary review by the Editor-in-Chief. Once a paper is found acceptable for review, the Editorial Office contacts appropriate reviewers. Reviewers are then given four (4) weeks to review a paper.

Review form submission: Reviewers may send the completed Manuscript Review Form either by postal address or via e-mail.