Research Minute Submitting a Manuscript for Publication

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As you are writing a manuscript for publication, you should be considering "which journal will want my work?" Imagine your audience. Who will be interested in your findings? If the answer is "family physicians" or "family medicine educators" consider the family medicine journals to the right.

If your audience is *not* family medicine, look at your own bibliography. Where is research on your topic being published? Consider those journals.

Consider: "what will I do if my work is rejected by this journal?" Make a Plan B—if rejected, where would you submit?

Now find "Instructions for Authors" for your selected journal. Every journal has specifications for formatting, word count, etc. Find these instructions on their website and follow them *to. the. letter*!

Ready to submit? What happens next?

Family Medicine Journals	
Annals of Family Medicine	Top tier clinical re- search
Family Medicine	Educational research
Journal of the Ameri- can Board of Family Medicine	Clinical research PBRN research
Family Practice	Clinical research
Journal of Family Practice	Photo rounds (case reports)
American Family Physician	Diagnosis & treat- ment

