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Subject: RE: [External] Questions about Journal Club
Date: September 20, 2021 at 11:00 AM
To: Laurita M. Hack lhack001@temple.edu



Dear Laurie,

It is so fun to hear from you! I am well and hope you are also. I did not attend the Centennial. I have been avoiding almost all non-critical travel due to COVID, my husband and I help with our two grandsons who are too young to be vaccinated so we are quite cautious about exposure. Just heard this morning that the Pfizer vaccine is safe for children 6-11, hopefully they'll be able to get vaccinated soon and we will all be relieved of that worry.

I would be happy to chat with you about the Journal Club, this week is not good for me but next week would be fine if that works for you.

Briefly, APTA Geriatrics has 6 Special Interest Groups (SIGS). I populate a Google Doc with JGPT articles published in the last two years. Each SIG chooses an article that they would like featured for one of the 6 JClubs each year. I contact the author to see if the author would be willing to present their study. Michele Stanley, editor of GeriNotes, works with each SIG to find and invite a member clinician who will write up a case study (can be real or partially fictitious) to illustrate the application of the main study findings to clinical practice/decision-making. This case study is published ahead of time in GeriNotes, for easy access for members and also as promo for the upcoming JClub event. Links to the article and the case study are included in the APTA Geriatrics promotion emails for the event. The case study author also presents this case for the JClub session.

Each JClub is 90 minutes. Intro by the moderator, 30 min for the author, 20-30 min for the case study, and 30 min for moderated Q & A. They run every other month, third Tuesday evening of the month, 8-9:30 EST.

We have an APTA Geriatrics volunteer service position for the JClub coordinator, who serves as the moderator. Once the article and case study authors agree to present, the coordinator takes over and is responsible for all communication with the authors and APTA Geriatrics.

These were originally Zoom meetings but for free Zoom there was a limit on attendance, so now the APTA Geriatrics Exec Org (AMPED) hosts it as a webinar via Caduceus. This is great because they provide a tech person during the call who handles any tech problems that occur.

JClub is an APTA Geriatrics member benefit, and attendance is free. We have been averaging between 100-125 members for the last few events. Members get a certificate of attendance which they can use to apply for CEUs. Feedback has been positive.

We are very pleased with how it has evolved, and happy to support member engagement with the JGPT to promote evidence-informed practice.

As it happens, there is a JClub event tomorrow evening. Please let me know ASAP if you would like to attend and I will ask how this might work since you do not have a member number to register.

Best always,
Leslie

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From: [Laurita M. Hack](#)
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Leslie, first how are you doing? It has been a long while since we caught up. Did I miss you at the Centennial event?

JOPTe is considering adding a feature like Geriatrics' Journal Club and I'd like to pick your brain about it. Can we set up a phone or Zoom call in the empty week? Thanks, Laurie

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