**Renal Nutrition Forum Author Guidelines**

The *Renal Nutrition Forum* is the peer-reviewed publication of the Renal Dietitians Dietetic Practice Group (RPG). The RNF is published quarterly and offers a variety of topics that pertain to nephrology nutrition and nephrology professionals.

**Article topics include, but are not limited to:**
- Chronic Kidney Disease (stages 1-5), adult and pediatric dialysis, renal transplant, acute kidney injury
- diabetes, cardiovascular disease, liver disease, infectious disease (HIV, Hepatitis C, etc.), obesity, disordered eating
- physical assessment
- pediatrics/adult education, health literacy, behavior change therapy
- utilization of technology in practice

**Types of Articles:**
- original research study
- research reviews
- case studies - individual and collaborative
- practical clinical applications
- nephrology related conference summaries
- professional skill advancement articles

**Article Length:**
Article Length is determined by the Editor for each specific issue.
- Feature article with abstract is approximately 3,000 words (not including tables/graphs)
- Other articles are usually 1,000-1,500 words
- Member Spotlight articles and reports are approximately 400-500 words

**Text Format:**
- Times New Roman Font
- 12 point
- Double Space

**Tables and Illustrations:**
- Tables should be self explanatory
- All diagrams, charts, and figures should be camera-ready
- Must be accompanied by a title and brief caption that clearly explains the table, chart, diagram, figure, illustration, etc.

**References:**
- Format should follow the same style as the Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics; use AMA Manual of Style 10th edition for guidance (see reference examples on next page)
- Cite references in the text using consecutive numbers in parentheses. Do not use superscript numbers.
- Type references on separate sheets at the end of the article in the order they are cited in the text, not alphabetically or chronologically.
• Abbreviate periodical titles according to the US National Library of Medicine's lists of biographic data found at: ftp://nlmpubs.nlm.nih.gov/online/journals/lsiweb.pdf. If a title does not appear on this list, provide the complete title.

Author Information:
• List author(s) with first name, middle initial (if any), last name, professional suffix and affiliation below the title of the article
• Include the primary author’s complete contact information including affiliation, phone, and email address

Additional Instructions:
• All submissions should be sent to the editor as an email attachment (MS word file)
• The featured and advance practice articles will offer CPEU credits; therefore these article submissions must include a brief abstract, 2-3 learning objectives and 2-3 key words. The featured and advance practice articles will also be posted on the Members Only section of the RPG website (password protected)

Reference Citation Examples

Article in Periodical:
Journal article with 6 authors or less (list each author)

Journal article with 7 or more authors (list first 3, then et al)

Committee, Group or Institution:

Book:

Chapter in Book:

Web Site:

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