

## New Goals for the Future of *Ciência & Saúde Coletiva*

This special issue of *Ciência & Saúde Coletiva* clearly demonstrates that the journal is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary with robust growth and dynamism. Included are eight articles on health and the environment, followed by a series of topics related to the understanding of policies and responses by society to health and disease processes. Although the articles are being published more slowly than we would have liked, this can be viewed as a positive sign of the growth in the journal. This abundance of articles also signals the recognition by the scientific community of the importance of the journal for dissemination of health information.

From the point of view of the journal's dynamism, this issue also represents a *commemorative transition* in its ten-year history and a time when new goals should be established. Our main goals are to improve availability of our published research and to expand the journal's international scope.

To improve the availability of journal content, we plan to launch a new website ([www.cienciaesaudecoletiva.com.br](http://www.cienciaesaudecoletiva.com.br)) in January. We also intend to increase the number of services that index the journal. The new website will help us address the time elapsed between the acceptance of an article and its publication, an issue of major concerns to us. The new website will allow us to publish all approved articles immediately after peer review but prior to their publication in print form. This change is a significant advance for the journal.

To expand the journal's international scope, we are increasing the number of partnerships with journals in other countries. Our aim is to expand international cooperation and improved visibility for our content. Here we wish to highlight our new partnerships with four journals from other countries: *Environmental Health Perspective* (National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, USA); *Salud Pública* (Instituto Nacional de Salud Pública, Mexico); *Ciencia y Trabajo* (Fundación Científica y Tecnológica, Chile); and *Salud Colectiva* (Asociación Civil Salud Colectiva y Universidad Nacional de Lanús, Argentina). The editors of all these journals are signing this editorial, thus symbolically confirming our partnership.

We emphasize that by taking steps towards greater internationalization of *Ciência & Saúde Coletiva*, we are in no way overlooking our commitment to the science developed inside Brazil or to the domestic scientific output related to the Brazilian population's needs. We have various reasons to open the journal to the outside. Epistemologically, we know that the more we pursue the universal, the better we will be able to expand our identity and understand local problems. From the practical point of view, joining efforts with other editors is essential, because as in all forms of contemporary social production, scientific output and dissemination are unequal both between and within countries. Therefore, collaborative partnerships provide examples of how we can contribute to minimizing inequalities and fostering more dialogue in our editorial field.

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