



Our efforts have paid off: our journal is now indexed!

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We know that scientific publications play an essential role in scientific research and, as a result, in the advancement of knowledge. Therefore, after considering the types of periodicals available in Brazil, the Brazilian Society of Pediatrics decided to make the first issue of its journal *Residência Pediátrica* (Pediatric Residency) available online in 2011.

Residência Pediátrica is an innovative journal meant for physicians completing their pediatric residency not only in Brazil but also around the world. The primary objective is for pediatricians, particularly young professionals, to stay up-to-date and to offer them the opportunity to publish their studies to complement or enhance their academic training.

Thanks to an involved, dynamic, and tireless editorial board, we have been able to implement new measures to guarantee a scientific journal of unquestionable quality. The interest in our online content (www.residenciapediatrica.com.br) is evident from the high number of daily downloads and visits to the site.

The most recently introduced innovations include the indexation of *Residência Pediátrica* in the Latindex and Google Scholar databases.

But what does that mean, really? What is indexation of a journal? What benefits does it bring?

A scientific journal is indexed when it is included in one of the existing databases (such as Latindex or Google Scholar). To be indexed, the journal must meet certain requirements, such as guarantee of regular publication of issues, application of well-defined criteria for article selection, and presence of an editorial board with reviewers specialized in evaluating studies.

Publishing a scientific study in an indexed journal ensures that authors will have a wider reach and more visibility for their articles because it can be quickly accessed and at anytime from anywhere in the world.

The uninterrupted release of new issues, peer review system, and publications in Portuguese, English, and Spanish were fundamental steps for getting where we are today. But all of this has been possible because of the quality of the work provided by the authors and the staff of *Residência Pediátrica* and the interest shown by the readers.

We would like to reassert our invitation not only to pediatrics residents but also to all medical professionals who would like to share their experiences in *Residência Pediátrica*. Now indexed as well!

Get ready for more news and updates soon.

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