Author Guidelines

About the Journal

*Child Health Nursing Research* is a multidisciplinary, double-blind peer-reviewed, open access international journal that publishes original research, theory, and review papers on health care and nursing for infants, children, adolescents, and families. It is devoted to all fields of child health, including global and cultural issues, aimed at both domestic and international health care professionals. *Child Health Nursing Research* is the official journal of the Korean Academy of Child Health Nursing. The journal is published quarterly in English. The journal welcomes submissions from health care professionals around the world, and encourages the submission of papers dealing with cultural issues and those studied by international research teams.

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Aims and Scope

*Child Health Nursing Research* aims to promote the health of infants, children, adolescents, and their families in Korea and all over the world by providing research on evidence-based practices. Its scope includes the most recent clinically and academically relevant topics in health care and nursing for infants, children, adolescents, and their families. The journal also accepts papers that address research, theory, and practice in a wide range of child health nursing areas and relevant cultural issues. Its regional scope is mainly Korea, but it welcomes submissions from researchers and nurses worldwide.

The primary readers of this journal are health care professionals and administrators serving infants, children, adolescents, and their families, including nurses, midwives, physicians, developmental specialists, public health workers, social scientists, child health educators, epidemiologists, and other health caregivers.

Readership

This journal is published for health care professionals and administrators serving infants, children, adolescents, and families, working to promote child care and welfare. Through CHNR, readers obtain information on the most recent clinically and academically relevant topics in health care and nursing for infants, children, adolescents, and families. Specifically, nurses, midwives, physicians, developmental specialists, and public health workers in the field can obtain the most recent information about health problems and nursing strategies for children and families. Administrators of health care facilities and public health centers can access a variety of data regarding health problems and obtain insights into health care planning for children and families. Social scientists and epidemiologists can access and utilize data on recent health problems of infants, children, adolescents, and families. Child health educators can obtain the most up-to-date information on child health, so that they can convey that knowledge to students in the field of child health care and nursing. Researchers can learn about state-of-the-art research methodology for child health care.

Research and Publication Ethics

1. Human Rights and Protection

human subjects must be approved by an Institutional Review Board (IRB). The researcher(s) must also obtain written voluntary informed consent from the participants or their parent or legal guardian. If the research involves a child or any vulnerable subject in any way, special and sensitive protection is needed to ensure the safety and human rights of the subject. When necessary, the editor of CHNR may ask the author(s) to present the relevant document(s) on the human rights and protection issues related to the manuscript, such as the informed consent form or the evidence for the IRB approval of the study.

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6. Publication Ethics and Malpractice Statements

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4) Multiple, simultaneous, or duplicate submission: Authors should not submit the same research to more than one journal and should not publish the manuscript in different languages. If authors wish to pur-

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**Table 1. Examples of data sharing statements that fulfill the requirements of the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors**

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<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>What data in particular will be shared?</td>
<td>All individual participant data collected during the trial, after deidentification.</td>
<td>Individual participant data that underlie the results reported in this article, after deidentification (text, tables, figures, and appendices).</td>
<td>Individual participant data that underlie the results reported in this article, after deidentification (text, tables, figures, and appendices).</td>
<td>Not available</td>
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<td>What other documents will be available?</td>
<td>Study protocol, statistical analysis plan, informed consent form, clinical study report, analytic code.</td>
<td>Study protocol, statistical analysis plan, analytic code.</td>
<td>Study protocol.</td>
<td>Not available</td>
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<td>When will data be available (start and end dates)?</td>
<td>Immediately following publication. No end date.</td>
<td>Beginning at 3 months and ending at 5 years following the article publication.</td>
<td>Beginning at 9 months and ending at 36 months following the article publication.</td>
<td>Not applicable</td>
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<td>With whom?</td>
<td>Anyone who wishes to access the data.</td>
<td>Researchers who provide a methodologically sound proposal.</td>
<td>Investigators whose proposed use of the data has been approved by an independent review committee (“learned intermediary”) identified for this purpose.</td>
<td>Not applicable</td>
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<td>For what types of analyses?</td>
<td>Any purpose.</td>
<td>To achieve aims in the approved proposal.</td>
<td>For individual participant data meta-analysis.</td>
<td>Not applicable</td>
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<td>By what mechanism will data be made available?</td>
<td>Data are available indefinitely at [link to be included].</td>
<td>Proposals should be directed to xxx@yyy. To gain access, data requestors will need to sign a data access agreement.</td>
<td>Proposals may be submitted up to 36 months following article publication. After 36 months the data will be available in our University’s data warehouse but without investigator support other than deposited metadata.</td>
<td>Not applicable</td>
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<td>Data are available for 5 years at a third-party website (link to be included).</td>
<td>Information regarding submitting proposals and accessing data may be found at [link to be provided].</td>
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④ Corresponding author: The corresponding author should be identified with the address (zip code), email, telephone, fax, and ORCID number.
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An abstract of up to 200 words for articles (including reviews) should be
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1. The text should be composed in the following order: introduction, methods, results, discussion, conclusion, conflict of interest statement, and references.

2. Introduction: This section should clearly state the need for this study and the main question or hypothesis of the study. A literature review or summary of background information related to the study should be presented.

3. Methods: This section should describe the study design, setting and samples, ethical considerations, measurements/instruments, data collection/procedure, and data analysis used. If the study is qualitative, the research instrument can be omitted.

4. Results: The main results should be summarized in concise paragraphs. Levels of statistical significance and confidence intervals should be noted where appropriate.

5. Discussion: The discussion should be based only on the reported results. It is recommended that the discussion reflect advances in nursing practice, and nursing knowledge development.

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7. Conflict of interest: Authors are required to disclose commercial or similar relationships to products or companies mentioned in or related to the subject matter of the article being submitted. If there are no conflicts of interest, the following is an example of a sentence that can be used: “No existing or potential conflict of interest relevant to this article was reported.”

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2) All tables and figures should be easy to understand, even when presented separately from the rest of the manuscript, and should present information relevant to the study.

3) Table formatting

1. All lines are to be single. Vertical lines should not be used.

2. The title of a table should appear above the table. Within the title, the first letter of important words should be capitalized (title case).

   Example: Table 1. Responses to Question Types

3. Tables should be numbered consecutively, e.g., Table 1, Table 2, and so on.

4. Table data should be explained in footnotes. All abbreviations used in the tables should be defined in the footnotes to every table in which they appear.

   Example: HR, heart rate; T, temperature.

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   Example: *Surviving case; †Deceased case.

6. If the value of a decimal exceeds 1, a 0 should appear before the decimal point; otherwise, nothing should appear before the decimal point.

   Example: t=0.26, F=0.92

   Example: p<0.001, r=0.1, R^2=61

7. The statistical significance (p value) should be written without a footnote and should be rounded to three decimal places. (For example: \( p = .003 \)) If \( p \) is 0.000, then indicate that \( p \) is less than 0.001 \( (p<0.001) \). If \( p \) is 1.000, then indicate that \( p \) is greater than 0.999 \( (p>0.999) \).

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   ③ Entire books on the internet
   ④ Scientific and technical reports
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Regulations for the Editorial Board

1. Purpose: The purpose of these Regulations is to define matters regarding the operation of the editorial board of CHNR.

2. Organization of the Editorial Board

1) The editorial board comprises approximately 10 members, each with a 2-year term of office. Editors may serve consecutive terms to sustain the continuity of editing tasks.

2) Editors should have experience in performing peer review, should have produced outstanding research, and should be currently carrying out academic activities. Editors are selected with national and regional diversity in mind.

3) The editor-in-chief of the editorial board is the editorial director of the Korean Academy of Child Health Nursing (KACHN), and the editorial director is appointed based on a nomination by the KACHN executives and approval of its board of directors. Editor-in-chief’s term is two years. It may be able to be extended further for the stability of the journal editing by the board of directors of the society.

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2) Nominations of potential reviewers

3) Matters regarding workshops for reviewers and editors of the journal

4) Matters regarding the periodic evaluation of the journal

5) Matters regarding the periodic amendment of “Regulations on Review and Publication” of the journal

6) Matters regarding the process for managing publication malpractice

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2. Organization of the Ethics Committee

1) The ethics committee comprises 4 members, each with a 2-year term of office. The ethics committee members will discuss and adjudicate any suspected cases of publication malpractice.

2) The ethics committee members should have experience with editorial activities, and should be well aware of research and publication ethics.

3. Duties of the Ethics Committee Members

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