

Editorial

Welcome from the Founding Editor to *Health Research and Education Innovation* journal - where discovery meets practice, and ideas inspire change!

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It is my great pleasure and enthusiasm that I welcome you to the inaugural issue of *Health Research and Education Innovation*. As founding editor, I am honored to introduce a journal built on a simple but powerful vision: creating a vibrant, inclusive space where researchers, practitioners, educators, and students can share meaningful work that advances health care, strengthens education, and responds to the evolving needs of our communities.

Health Research and Education is launching at a time of remarkable change and opportunity. Rapid advances in technology, evolving patient needs, workforce demands, health inequities, and changes in education and clinical practice are transforming the healthcare landscape. Meeting these challenges requires collaboration, bold innovation, and curiosity. This journal is designed to be a space where those conversations can happen — where evidence, experience, creativity, and practical solutions come together to inspire progress.

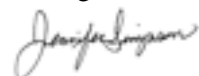
We are excited to welcome contributions that showcase innovative research, emerging methodologies, educational strategies, clinical perspectives, interprofessional collaboration, and community-based solutions. Whether your work focuses on improving patient outcomes, transforming health professions education, advancing health equity, supporting workforce development, or exploring new models of care, we invite you to make this journal a place to share your discoveries and ideas.

At the heart of *Health Research and Education Innovation* is a commitment to connection. We believe the most meaningful progress happens when researchers, educators, clinicians, and community partners learn from one another. By sharing knowledge across disciplines and settings, we can better prepare future health professionals, support those currently in practice, and contribute to healthier communities.

We also recognize the importance of mentorship and accessibility in scholarly publishing. As a newly launched journal, we hope to encourage both experienced scholars and emerging voices to participate in this work. Your perspectives matter. Your discoveries matter. Your experiences in classrooms, clinics, laboratories, and communities have the power to shape the future of health care.

As we begin this exciting journey, I invite you to read, submit, review, collaborate, and engage with us. Together, we can build a vibrant scholarly community dedicated to innovation, excellence, and impact. We are delighted to welcome you to *Health Research and Education Innovation* and look forward to the important work we will share in the pages ahead.

With gratitude,



Jennifer Simpson, Dean
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