

“WESTERN STATES MEDICAL MONOGRAPHS”

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“Western States Medical Monographs”

- ▣ Sponsoring Organizations – OPTI-West; www.opti-west.org; Center for the Advancement of Healthcare Education and Delivery (C-AHEAD); www.c-ahead.org; AACOM mini-grant funding
- ▣ Format – Technical Research Reporting System in conjunction with the National Technical Information Service (NTIS)
- ▣ Precedent – format used widely by industry, university laboratories, military laboratories, etc.

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- ▣ Expressed Need
 - Overcomes delay time for publication in peer reviewed journals (i.e. data “fast to the street” – 45 days from date of receipt)
 - Acknowledges quality trainee research projects by providing a publication opportunity
 - Teaches residents and students essentials of writing for publication
 - Reasonable flexibility of content (criteria established by OPTI-West & C-AHEAD) - inclusive of most student and resident research

“Western States Medical Monographs”

- ▣ Format – Indexed Medical Monographs
- ▣ Registration and Retrieval – Abstract and full text from Government Documents
- ▣ Results of Pilot leading to possible publishing as volumes in PubMed
- ▣ Innovative (although not exclusive) review system – three advance reviewers *before* submission, two from outside department (reviewer checklists provided), signed and turned in with manuscript

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- ▣ Costs – Assumed via AACOM Mini-Grant (covers materials and staff time for formatting and submission to NTIS system);
- ▣ Deliverables
 - Formatted as Indexed MEDICAL MONOGRAPHS with publication number
 - Publication entered in the NTIS system (immediately retrievable by anyone from Gov't Documents) including all required forms (dated forms provide a copyright protection)
 - Converted to PDF
 - Ten reprints and PDF provided to author

How to get started...

- ▣ Instructions at www.c-ahead.org
 - Click on *Western States Medical Monographs* link
 - Click on “for Authors”
 - Follow instructions for criteria for publication and preparation for review and submission

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Distinctive Qualities of the Osteopathic Physician

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