Institutionalised Children Explorations and Beyond

Now accepting manuscripts for Vol 2, Issue 1, slated for March 2015.
Deadline for submission of Abstracts (500 words) by December 31, 2014;
Final Paper (3000 words) by 31st January 2015

Focused on South Asian Countries
ABOUT THE JOURNAL:
Institutionalised children are often at risk to leading marginalized existences. Current literature on this subject so far has been limited. The journal “Institutionalised Children: Explorations and Beyond (ICEB)” evolved out of the need to expand our understanding of the developmental needs of such children and to offer a venue for professionals, policy makers and volunteers to share and exchange their ideas, their expertise and their knowledge. This journal will attempt to address limitations in the research, knowledge and counselling practices currently prevalent in working with institutionalised children.

ICEB sees itself as a forum for studies, discussions, debates and research on issues that would lead to the integration of such children into the mainstream and thus to their inclusion in civil society. Representing all the South Asian Countries also broadens the depth and reach of this journal.

MISSION OF THE JOURNAL:
To conscientiously and with responsibility, appraise, evaluate, and commission research and studies that impact and have bearing on the lives of children, who are in institutions – orphanages, observation homes and others, in South Asian countries; and to develop a dialogue on existing systems, and possible adaptations, which will lead to an improvement in their quality of life, thus influencing their becoming responsible young adults.

VISION OF THE JOURNAL:
To make available a platform for consistent sharing of information, knowledge enhancement and the development of a dialogue and debate amongst professionals, policy makers, and volunteers working for institutionalised children, about best practices, research findings and studies, legislation, jurisprudence and case law, in relation to such children’s mental health, social development, care and upbringing in alternative modes of institutional care in SAARC countries.

SUBJECTS:
Manuscripts can address research issues, issues of child care and policy, legal concerns related to child care and management issues, children's home care strategies and care-giver solutions, developing home monitoring systems, children with special needs such as disabilities, juvenile delinquency, or children diagnosed with HIV/AIDS. Regional and local issues can be considered. Manuscripts addressing issues related to 'good practice' are encouraged. The journal encourages articles aimed at regional collaborations.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
The ICEB journal will be of interest to the management, caregivers in governmental and NGO organizations, volunteers, policy makers, social workers, psychologist, psychiatrists, and university faculty, who are interested in the care and study of institutionalised children. Students in these and other related disciplines in all the South Asian Countries, as well as other mental health professional interested in these studies will find the ICEB journal useful.

SUBMISSION OF MANUSCRIPTS:
The ICEB Editorial Board invites submissions of abstracts (five hundred words or less) on topics relating to research and exploration of work with institutionalised children. Abstracts must be original, without any prior publication and must be submitted in English. The abstracts will be subjected to a non-peer-review process. The Editorial Board takes the final decision on publications and reserves the right to invite for the manuscripts and edit the final manuscript. The members of the Editorial Board will give notification of acceptance, rejections or the need for revision.

The first issue of the ICEB Journal has been published and now, we are inviting abstracts for the next issue, which is the 3rd issue; and 1st issue of Volume 2. It will come out in March 2015. The abstract must be received in time for the editorial board to take a decision and invite the final manuscript by end January 2015 for inclusion in the third issue of this journal. Manuscripts not included in the next edition can still be published in the subsequent editions of the ICEB journal, if the editorial board so decides.
MANUSCRIPTS AND EDITORIAL COMMUNICATIONS must be submitted in MSWord (2003/2007) through online submission gateway available on www.indianjournals.com. Please follow the hyperlink “Article Submission” on the home page of the website and upload your manuscript files following the instructions given on the screen. Queries regarding article submission can be sent at submission@indianjournals.com alternatively you can send by email to Monisha Akhtar: monisha_akhtar@hotmail.com or Kiran Modi: iceb-journal@udayanicare.org

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PERIODICITY:

The ICEB Journal is published six monthly, first in spring and thereafter in fall. The first issue was released at the “Seminar on Standards of Care and Mental Health”, on 14th March 2014 at Amity University, Noida. The second issue is slated for launch in September 2014. This call for papers is for the third issue, Vol. 2, No. 1, which will come out in March 2015.

CONTENT OF THE ICEB JOURNAL:

The ICEB Journal includes the following columns:

- **Editorial Note**
- **In-depth interview** of an individual who has done a prominent work with institutionalised and abandoned children. An Editorial Board member will conduct the interview
- **Unpublished Manuscripts** from individuals who conduct research with orphaned and abandoned children and those in need of protective care. The section will provide for scholarly input on various topics related to the population under consideration
- A paper with a significant **international perspective** is also published in each issue. These papers are solicited from authors outside the South Asian region, whose research focus, literary investigation and the exploration of innovative and alternative care models contributes significantly to the field in general
- An article presenting ‘**good practice**’ is selected to provide a comprehensive review of how institutional care is provided in different settings
- **Published Manuscripts** that have already been published elsewhere but are deemed to contribute significantly to the subject under consideration. (Authors wishing to submit already published manuscripts must obtain permission or give us permission to contact the publishers to obtain the necessary rights to publish their paper)
- **Book and movie reviews** review books and movies, revolving around issues related to alternate care of children out of family network
- **Brief communications**, which consist of briefings on a particular topic, related to institutionalised children whether it is a new law, new policy, new practice, conference, seminar, workshop, or anything relevant to the particular topic
- **Upcoming Events** capture upcoming seminars, campaigns, etc.

STYLE:

The journal will follow American Psychological Association (APA) Style sheet. The contributors are requested to put their article and references according to this style sheet, but if they cannot the journal editors shall make some cosmetic changes to the article to suit this requirement. For more information on APA Style Sheet, you can click on APA website: http://www.apastyle.org/about-apa-style.aspx.
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