
Peer Review Information and Acknowledgments

This year 81 papers were submitted for review to the ACC Conference 2000. A call for peer reviewers resulted in 83 qualified people from 16 different chiropractic colleges, which is a significant increase in the number of participants compared to last year. Each proposal was assigned to people with expertise in a given topic area and/or with unique critical appraisal skills. The proposals were blinded and distributed so that no paper was sent from an author to a reviewer from the same institution and that all peer reviewers for a given proposal came from different campuses. Most peer reviewers critiqued 5 different proposals and each proposal was critiqued by a minimum of 3 peer reviewers. The result was over 350 separate tally sheets and over 350 sheets of comments from reviewers. Based on the data from the tally sheets and the peer reviewer comments, decisions were made as to how to categorize the status of the proposals for the 2000 conference. All first authors received a copy of their tally sheets and peer reviewers' comments regardless of the decision of acceptance to the conference. This feedback process is intended to encourage scholarship and to guide the authors as to how to improve the quality of their work. The ACC 2000 peer review committee succeeded in doing an excellent job. They should be commended for their contribution to the continued improvement of the ACC Educational Conference.

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