New Practitioner Tips for Serving as a Peer Reviewer

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The peer review is an important part of the publication process for scientific articles.

**How do I become a peer reviewer?**
- Most often, publishers will contact subject matter experts (identified by their expertise) to conduct a peer review.
- Practitioners should feel empowered to contact publishers to express their interest in becoming a peer reviewer.
- Journal websites may offer a registration option for individuals interested in signing up to be considered as a reviewer.
- Networking!

**Suggested Step-by-Step Approach to the Peer Review Process**

Additional Tips for Completing a Peer Review

- Read the journal’s specific requirements prior to completing the peer review
- Review all aspects of the manuscript, including the title and abstract, as well as charts, figures, or graphs
- Do not focus extensively on grammatical issues
- Provide separate comments to the editors and authors, but keep comments consistent
- Provide actionable suggestions for addressing stated concerns
- Be respectful and professional in all comments
- Hear more tips from peer reviewers in this ASHP Podcast: Introduction to Peer Review

AJHP Webpage for Reviewers (opportunity to register to serve as a peer reviewer):
https://academic.oup.com/ajhp/pages/for_reviewers

References: