

Caring, in Your Own Words: Write Your Story



Why write for Caring: Human beings are natural story tellers and through story, we relate to each other. That is especially true if a story is written by someone we trust and respect, for example, a fellow member of AMDA – The Society for Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine. As editors of *Caring for the Ages*, we often hear from the readers that opinions, news, and advice from their colleagues is what they value the most in our publication. If you want to make an impact on other PALTC clinicians and staff, share your knowledge on a national forum, and get professional recognition. Please consider lending your voice to *Caring* by submitting a story on a topic of your choice. All members of the interdisciplinary team are welcome to submit.



What to Write About: Articles should be valuable to PALTC practitioners, i.e., offer practical recommendations to improve the lives of patients, residents, staff, and their own, as well as their practice. We welcome stories on any relevant topic; in 2021, *young residents, chronic mental illness, and assisted living* are of particular editorial interest. Most importantly, you should choose a topic you are passionate about. Only if the writer's passion shines through will it inspire change in the field.



Submission Guidelines:

- Length: 750 to 1,000 words
- Style: Magazine style rather than a peer-reviewed article style
- References: Only key references formatted as follows: (*PLoS One* 2017;12:234-237)
 - When referring to other publications in your submission, please relay the information in your own words (as opposed to copying and pasting the text) and include a reference at the end of the sentence(s) in the format shown above. If verbatim reproduction of a fragment of another publication is needed, please place the reproduced text in quotations and reference the source. Improperly referencing and/or quoting other publications constitutes plagiarism. Please visit <https://www.elsevier.com/editors/perk> for additional information on plagiarism and publishing ethics.
- Other materials: Contributors are welcome to include relevant photographs, graphics, and links to resources for further reading.
- Authorship: For each author, please include a full name, credentials, a headshot, and a one- to two-sentence biographical statement (e.g., *Dr. Galik is a nurse practitioner in LTC- and community-based settings through a clinical practice with Sheppard Pratt Health System*).



How to Submit: Submit stories to the editorial office of *Caring for the Ages*, to the attention of Anna Boyum, PhD, managing editor (a.boyum@elsevier.com). We review, accept, and publish stories as soon as the editorial calendar permits. Accepted stories are copyedited prior to publication.

Join your fellow post-acute and long-term care clinicians and staff in publishing in *Caring for the Ages*, a national forum for PALTC practitioners committed to shaping the future of our industry.

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