

## **Call for Paper: Counselling & Psychotherapy Review Singapore, 2024**

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The Singapore Association for Counselling (SAC) is excited to announce the Call for Papers for the upcoming issue of the Counselling & Psychotherapy Review Singapore (CPRS), a peer-reviewed publication showcasing original research and theoretical articles in the field of counselling and psychotherapy.

### **About CPRS**

CPRS is a platform for practitioners, researchers, and educators to come together to share and learn best counselling and client-focused practices that have practical implications and relevance for effectively helping clients. The emphasis of the journal is on advancing professional knowledge and skills that can positively contribute to clients' growth, development, and well-being. Readers can expect to gain new insights on the diverse counselling approaches, interventions and strategies that may be applied to enhance the overall quality of care to clients in a larger community.

The CPRS aims to explore and document best practices of counselling that have been developed as alternative ways to challenge local practice problems, societal issues, and setting-related difficulties. The CPRS focuses on three areas: 1) Practice-based research, 2) Indigenous or adaptation of counselling modalities relevant to local contexts, and 3) Issues concerning special settings or clientele populations in Singapore and other Asian societies.

### **Topics**

We welcome submissions that showcase innovative and best practices, as well as creative and accessible writings. We especially encourage articles from postgraduate students, early career academics and practitioners. Both local and regional contributions are welcome.

While submissions can cover the following topics, we encourage you to send an abstract even if your work does not fit within these areas but still aligns with the overall focus of CPRS:

- Religion and Spirituality
- Ethnicity
- Gender and Sexuality
- Lifespan Development
- Social-Economic Issues
- Death and Dying
- Correctional Rehabilitation
- Addiction
- Child Welfare
- Trauma-related
- Health-related
- Special Populations & Oppressed groups
- Migration and Trans-national individuals/families
- Counselling Models and Processes
- Indigenization, Adaptation, and Challenges
- Therapeutic Ruptures
- Interdisciplinary Practices
- Practice Settings

## **Submission Guidelines**

CPRS follows a rigorous double-blind reviewing policy in which the identities of the author and reviewer are not disclosed to each other. The editors will initially review each manuscript. Only those manuscripts that meet the scientific standards, aims and scope of the journal will be sent for further review. Each manuscript is reviewed by at least two expert referees. The editors are responsible for final decisions regarding the acceptance of a peer-reviewed paper.

### A) Research and Publication Ethics

**Research Approval:** All manuscripts dealing with human subjects must include a statement that informed consent has been sought and that the study has been approved by an institutional review board.

**Policy on Duplicate Publication:** Submitted manuscripts must not have been previously published or be under consideration for publication elsewhere.

### B) Manuscript Guidelines

The presentation style must follow the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (7th edition). British or American spellings are acceptable but must be consistent throughout the manuscript.

All manuscripts must be typewritten in font size 12 and double-spaced with the following structure and word limits:

- A title page providing authors' names, institutional affiliations and contacts (email and phone number).
- Abstract: 150-200 words plus 5 key words
- Text (inclusive of footnotes and references):
  - Review Articles: 4000-5000 words.
  - Original empirical quantitative articles: 3000-6000 words.
  - Original empirical qualitative articles: 3000-7000 words.
  - Original clinical case studies: 3000-4000 words.
- Tables and figures: 5 in total. Authors are responsible for obtaining copyright permission for reproducing tables, figures, photographs or illustrations from published materials.

If applicable, the following statements must be included in a separate section (entitled "Compliance with Ethical Standards") in the manuscript:

- Disclosure of potential conflicts of interest
- Approval by Institutional Review Board (name of institution and reference number)

### C) Manuscript Guidelines

All manuscripts are to be submitted to **The Editors, Counselling & Psychotherapy Review Singapore** at [publications@sacsingapore.org](mailto:publications@sacsingapore.org).

Authors are required to ensure that their manuscripts meet the journal requirements as described above prior to submission; otherwise, the manuscript will be returned to the authors prior to peer review.



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## Timeline

Call for Abstract	- 04 Aug 2023
Deadline for Submission	- 30 Sep 2023 ←
Submission Outcome	- 31 Oct 2023
Deadline for Submission of FULL paper	- 31 Jan 2024
Revision & Feedback to Authors	- 1 Apr 2024
Deadline for Submission of Revised FULL Paper	- 30 June 2024
Target Launch of Publication	- Oct / Nov 2024

**If you are interested in contributing to CPRS, please reply by 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023 with an abstract of your proposed article to:**

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