

From the Editor

Dear Editorial Board, Editorial Advisory Board Members, IMHA Members, and all readers of our journal,

Our plan is to publish four editions of International Maritime Health in 2010. This is an ambitious plan, and without the support of you all we shall not be able to fill all four issues with good papers.

Bear this in mind and do not wait until the last months of the calendar year to send us your texts, as has often been the practice in the past. With our new publishing strategy, you will see the results of your hard work almost immediately, i.e. published not later than three months after sending us your articles. Take into consideration the time needed for reviews and for correction of the texts after receiving comments from the reviewers.

In this issue of IMH you will find a number of very interesting papers. Two of them are on subjects of importance for doctors working on passenger ships, and another two are on the problem of chickenpox on board ships. There is also a lot of interesting reading in other texts published in this edition of IMH.

In future we plan to issue special editions of our journal devoted to a special subject, for instance on the management of the risk of infections on cruise ships, on their prevention, and on the problem of cardiovascular diseases risk and HIV/AIDS among seafarers. Doctors who have particular experience in these fields are requested to write and publish papers in our journal in 2010.

We are waiting for your contributions,

Best regards to you all,
Bogdan Jaremin