Notes for contributors

Articles are welcome from all those who work with groups in any discipline: whether practitioners, trainers, researchers, users, or consultants. Accounts of innovations, research findings on existing practice, policy issues affecting groupwork, and discussions of conceptual developments are all relevant. Groupwork with clients, users, professional teams, or community groups fall within our range.

**Length:** Full length articles, normally of around 4500 words, should show the context of practice and relate this to existing knowledge in groupwork theory and practice. We also accept brief contributions that focus on current issues or that offer a critique/commentary on a particular area of groupwork theory and practice. These can be shorter in length and do not need to adhere to the referencing guidelines required for articles.

**Presentation:** Contributions should be double spaced with wide margins (1.5” or 3.8 cm) and all pages numbered. Documents should be in Word format and forwarded as an email attachment to the editor(s). The name(s) of the author(s) should not appear in the text. Instead, please include a title page, with name of the author(s), and a correspondence address (please include an email address or contact the editors if this is not possible). A summary of approximately 200 words should also be provided, together with six key words.

We use Harvard referencing. References within the text should be cited by giving the author’s name and year of publication, e.g. (Smith, 2004). Specific page numbers should be cited after a direct quotation (Smith, 2004, p 46). Those works cited in the text (and no others) should be listed at the end of the text in alphabetical order by author’s name, using the journal’s standard conventions. Please contact the editors if you require further guidance.

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editors or publishers. Visit www.whitingbirch.net/ip006.shtml for more details on house style.

**Peer review**: All articles are subject to independent scrutiny by two peer review assessors. However, final responsibility for publication lies with the editors.

**Articles and enquiries** should be emailed to the editor(s):

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Call for Workshops and Papers

Join us at this Symposium in exploring the use of groups and groupwork within established communities such as hospitals, day centres, therapeutic communities, prisons, schools, and many others.

The Symposium Planning Group would like to hear from groupworkers from any setting or background who would like to contribute either:

• A WORKSHOP. You should provide a plan of how you intend to engage participants and make the workshop interactive. A workshop would usually take about one and a half hours.

• A PAPER. should take about 20 minutes, with some time added for questions at the end. or

• A MAJOR PAPER exploring the Symposium themes theoretically or conceptually.

The full call for papers can be found on www.whitingbirch.net, or obtained from the organisers by emailing enquiries@whitingbirch.net.

Please send your ideas for papers or workshops via an abstract of up to 250 words, which should be sent (preferably as an email attachment) to:

Carol Lewis, School of Health and Social Care, Bournemouth University, 1st Floor Royal London House, Christchurch Road, Bournemouth BH1 3LT. England. e-mail: carollewis@bournemouth.ac.uk

Proposals should reach us by 27th February 2009.
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• How do we sustain our values and maintain standards in these times of falling spending and increasing need?
• What happens to creative interprofessional cooperation in the face of competing service demands?
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The Conference Programming Group seeks proposals for:

• WORKSHOPS which should be interactive and positively engage participants. Workshop sessions are of 1 1/2 hours.
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THE CALL

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Proposals should reach us by 31st August 2009

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This book describes the NEEDS-ABC Model, developed by the author, and elucidates how the model can be used for group, family, couple and individual therapies.

The NEEDS-ABC Model was originally developed at the McGill Domestic Violence Clinic. It uses an integrated therapeutic approach combining observation and elucidation of client and group process, using concepts also described in cognitive-behavioural, motivational, narrative and emotion-focused models.

The Model emphasises the theme-based relational needs behind maladaptive behaviours, rather than the behaviours themselves, and by its flexibility in terms of application to clients in a range of personal and therapeutic settings.

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This book will be the first to focus exclusively on acute inpatient therapeutic groupwork from a multi-disciplinary perspective.

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The book will interest any mental health professional who is working to achieve excellent acute inpatient psychiatric settings.


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