The year 2006 was a banner year for the *Journal of Rehabilitation Research and Development* (JRRD). The JRRD Web site ([http://www.rehab.research.va.gov](http://www.rehab.research.va.gov)) experienced more than 3.3 million downloads, up 101 percent from the previous year. We introduced a “cluster searching” tool to our Web site that allows concentrated searching of defined topics within JRRD articles and archival materials, which currently date back to 1977 and are accessed regularly. Moreover, we revamped the content and look of the lay person’s “JRRD at a Glance” to enhance its readability and published four single-topic issues devoted to multiple sclerosis, post-stroke rehabilitation, robotics, and vision rehabilitation, which is more than any previous year.

We made significant strides in our behind-the-scenes editorial work as well, increasing the JRRD rejection rate to almost 40 percent and reducing the average time from submission to publication to 10.7 months. The average time from the initial full review to a first decision was 66 days; if a revision was required, a second decision was reached in an average of 36 days. In 2006, JRRD received more than 700 reviews, with an average of 3.8 and a range of 1 to 5 reviews per paper. Since 2002, when we began evaluating editorial metadata, we have had a 36 percent increase in the number of pages published each year and a 54 percent increase in the number of subscribers! To increase the value-added data of JRRD articles, we added online appendixes and direct hyperlinks from online references to PubMed. Finally, the JRRD Editorial Board adopted and implemented the conflict of interest policy and clinical trial registration recommendations of the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors.

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