

EDITORIAL

ON POLICY

There are two features, somewhat unique to this publication, which have not previously been expressed in print. They are both a combination of OEP organizational and JBO editorial policies and are important for the reader to know.

In our second issue there appeared an article by Andrew Buzzelli, et al.¹ that had previously been printed in the *Journal of Military Medicine*. This issue carries an article by Graham Peachy (p.65) that first appeared in an Australian Journal.

The practice of reprinting an article from another source was not uncommon in the 1960s, but occurred less frequently in the '70s. During the 1980s it was indeed rare for an optometric publication to engage in this practice at all.

The reason for JBO's policy to reprint articles is quite simple. In a time when it is difficult to read the vast amount of information in American optometric publications, articles that can be of value to the behavioral optometrist in other literatures are easily overlooked. Consequently, we consider it a service to our readership to find and periodically publish some of these articles. If any of our readers become aware of papers that meet these criteria, please send me a copy and I'll start them through our review process.

The second feature relates to the distribution of JBO. All issues will, of course, go to OEP Clinical Associates and subscribers. However, other audiences will be additionally targeted. For example, the first issue went to all members of the American Optometric Association. The second issue was a Clinical Associates' only and subscribers' journal. Other issues will go to individuals who have expressed an interest in becoming a Clinical Associate of OEP but have not as yet enrolled. For this issue, optometry students are the "additional group." Our present plans are to send issues to each of these "additional groups" twice a year.

The goal of this distribution policy is to inform a wide optometric audience about the activities of OEP, the research, clinical methods and speculations that are current in behavioral optometry. We are convinced that this will benefit both behavioral optometry and the profession at large.

Reference

1. Buzzelli A, et al. The measurement of visual efficiency standards for pilots in the United States Air Force. *J Behav Optom* 1990, 1:35-36.



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