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JADARA is a publication for professionals networking for excellence in service delivery with individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing. Its focus is on the **application of new knowledge to practice**. **JADARA** is a forum for practitioners and researchers to talk with each other for the purpose of advancing the state of the art in human services. **JADARA** seeks research which is relevant to practice, and which is communicated in ways to excite, energize, and inspire the work of practitioners. It also seeks to present the observations of practitioners in ways which are amenable to empirical study and demonstration, and which engage the attention of researchers to phenomena observed to be significant in practice.

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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Members & Subscribers:

As you will see with this issue, *JADARA* has undergone a major format overhaul. The page size has been reduced to 6 x 9 inches and the article format is one column. These changes were made to improve readability and attractiveness. We welcome any comments you have on the new format. In a behind-the-scenes change we have improved the editorial review process to enhance the quality of the published articles.

The ADARA Board, the Editors and members of the Editorial Board are committed to producing a quality professional journal. The goal is to publish articles useful to two audiences: researchers and practitioners. Therefore, articles need to have scholarly merit and/or practical application. Producing a journal which is both practical and scholarly is not easy. We cannot succeed without submissions from both practitioners and researchers, or even better, collaborations between practitioners and researchers. Thus, the Editors and the Editorial Review Board of *JADARA* encourage you to consider writing an article for *JADARA*. The Editors and/or members of the Editorial Board are happy to consult with anyone considering a submission. You may contact me by any of the means listed on the Editorial Policy and Guidelines page.

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