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Pioneering Research Journal Expands Awareness of Issues Impacting Hispanic Health

WASHINGTON — On November 30, the [National Hispanic Medical Association \(NHMA\)](#), the nation's largest-membership organization of Hispanic physicians, published the second issue of the [Journal of the National Hispanic Medical Association \(JNHMA\)](#), a first-of-its kind medical research journal dedicated to tackling pressing health issues affecting the Hispanic community.

In collaboration with Hispanic state medical societies, residents, medical students, and public and private sector partners, NHMA is committed to advancing healthcare access and outcomes for the Hispanic community through the dissemination of world-class research.

"This journal will provide a platform for the most pressing health concerns for the Hispanic community, which regrettably have been overlooked by many mainstream journals," said **Dr. Elena Rios, President and CEO of the National Hispanic Medical Association**. "Above all, we are dedicated to upholding the highest standards in the selection and review process, and we are confident that we will make substantial progress in addressing the challenges that affect Latino communities."

The journal has been a dream-in-the-making of two of the co-editors, Dr. Nellie Correa and Dr. Ana Maria Lopez for several years. They were joined in their efforts by Dr. Ricardo Correa, Dr. Bert Johannsson, and Dr. Nora Esteban Cruciani; after researching multiple approaches, the first issue was released in time for the 2023 NHMA 26th Annual Conference in Chicago, IL.

In its first issue, the journal addressed several diseases and conditions that disproportionately affect Latinos like [COVID-19 disparities](#) in Arizona, [higher mutation](#)



[rates in Hispanic](#) lung cancer patients, and the professionalization of translation services to prevent [miscommunication](#) between doctors and patients.

The JNHMA welcomes healthcare professionals, scholars, and researchers to contribute to this critical initiative. To learn more, access submission guidelines, and stay updated on developments, please visit our website at nhmamd.org/journal.

National Hispanic Medical Association: *The National Hispanic Medical Association (NHMA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the health of Hispanic and other underserved communities. NHMA represents Hispanic physicians in the United States and serves as a leading voice for the health of Hispanics.*

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