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Topic Overview

This special issue will celebrate the many contributions of traditional medicine while exploring what an Integral approach to medicine looks like. Authors may use the Integral approach to explore any aspect of healthcare (e.g., how disease is understood, how treatments relate to one another, how wellness factors into daily life). The goal of the special issue is to illuminate how the AQAL model helps both patients and healthcare practitioners more quickly navigate through illness. Preventative medicine, alternative medicine, public health, and environmental health are just a few of the subjects we hope to shed light on.

Below is a four-quadrant list of possible avenues that may be addressed. This list is not exhaustive, but may serve as a starting point:

Interior Subjective (Upper Left)

- Thoughts, beliefs, attitudes toward health, wellness, healing, or sickness
- Personal meaning of wellness, illness, medicine
- Emotions, feelings, experiences of healing or illness
- Five senses (see, touch, hear, taste, smell) and healing

Interior Intersubjective (Lower Left)

- Shared perspectives of doctor–patient relationship
- Family, community, and cultural perspectives of illness and healing
- Ethnic and cultural understandings or beliefs about disease and treatments
- Impact of media messages about wellness, medicine, and treatment
- Experiences with health disparities or community wellness projects

Exterior Objective (Upper Right)

- Strengths and limitations of traditional medicine: surgery, drugs, behavioral modification, etc.
- Integral perspectives of physiology, pathology
- Hierarchical perspectives of human health
- Genetics perspectives
- Exercise, nutrition, and wellness

Exterior Interobjective (Lower Right)

- Hospital versus primary care perspectives
- Health literacy and electronic communication/the Internet
- Environmental health perspectives
- Disparities in access to healthcare
- Cultural determinants of health and disease

Timeline and Requirements

- The deadline for submission of completed manuscripts is **March 15, 2011**.
- Submissions will undergo the standard peer-review process, which can take several months. Authors will then revise their material before having a final theoretical review with Ken Wilber and Dr. Kreisberg.
- Articles must follow JITP's [submission guidelines](#). Queries and articles should be sent to the journal's managing editor, [Lynwood Lord](#).

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