

# Creating a Culture of Scholarship in Applied Clinical Informatics

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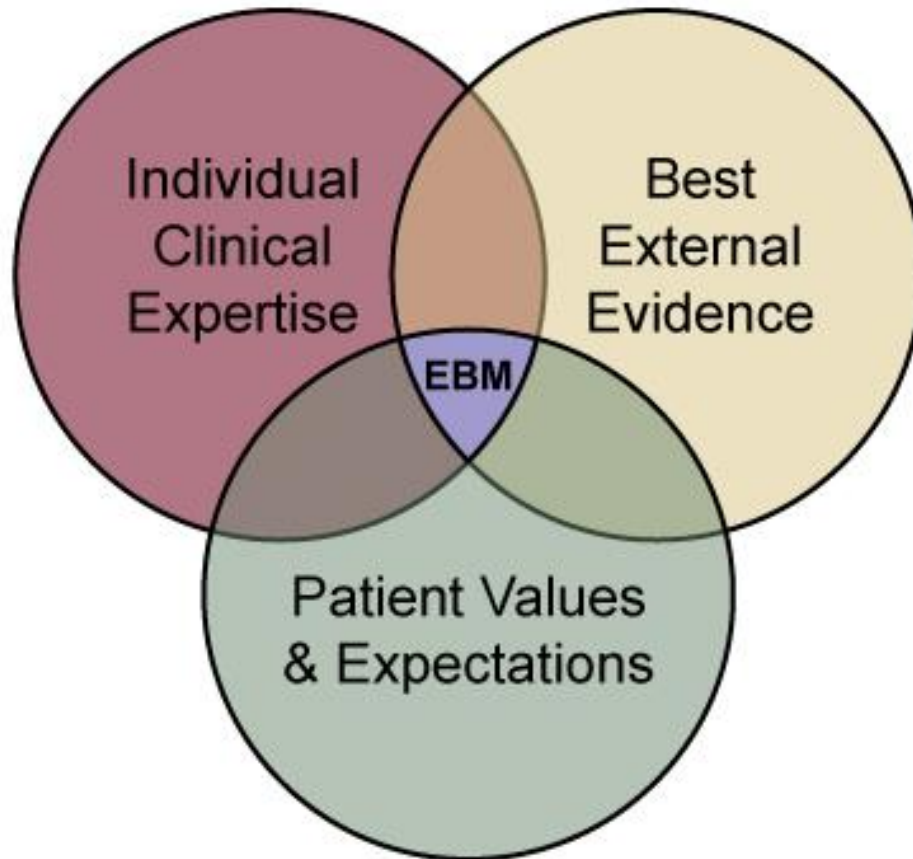
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ignore literature, and no  
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# Why is Scholarship Important in Clinical Informatics?



# Evidence-based Clinical Informatics

## Evidence-Based Medicine in the EMR Era

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### An Evidence-Based Approach to Activating Your EMR

PROS AND CONS OF VARIOUS EMR ACTIVATION OPTIONS, AND LESSONS LEARNED BY ONE HOSPITAL BY LISA M. GRISIM, R.N., AND CHRISTOPHER A. LONGHURST, M.D.



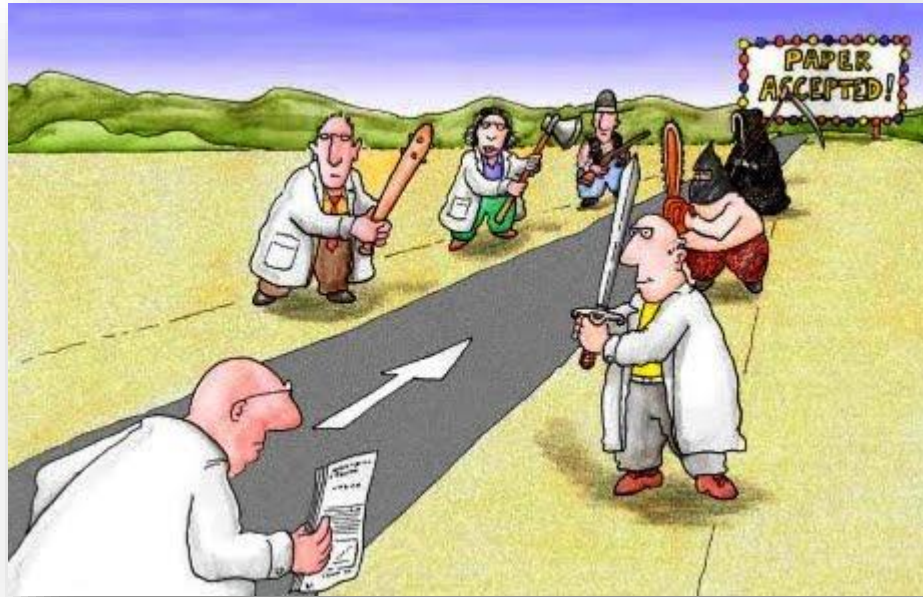
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## Using an Evidence-Based Approach to EMR Implementation to Optimize Outcomes and Avoid Unintended Consequences

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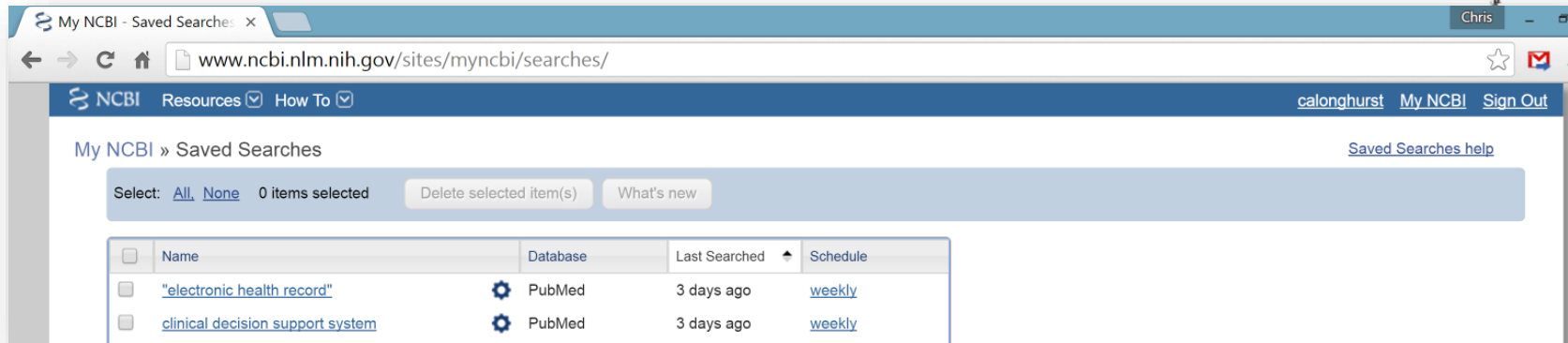
# So you're ready to write...now what?

1. Understand the published evidence and gaps
2. Choose authors and involve them up front
3. Target journal(s) for submission and choose manuscript type
4. Write!



# Know the Literature

- Table-of-contents automated emails (e.g. ACI, JAMIA)
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# Authorship Matters

- Authorship implies responsibility and accountability for published work
- Senior author needs to be an experienced mentor
- Review ICMJE definitions of authorship

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## Defining the Role of Authors and Contributors

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# Authorship Examples

## Decrease in Hospital-wide Mortality Rate After Implementation of a Commercially Sold Computerized Physician Order Entry System

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## Core Drug-Drug Interaction Alerts for Inclusion in Pediatric Electronic Health Records With Computerized Prescriber Order Entry

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## Health information exchange policies of 11 diverse health systems and the associated impact on volume of exchange

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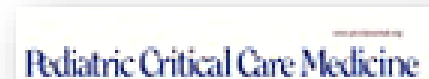
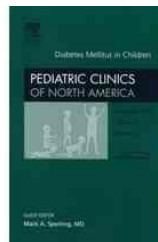
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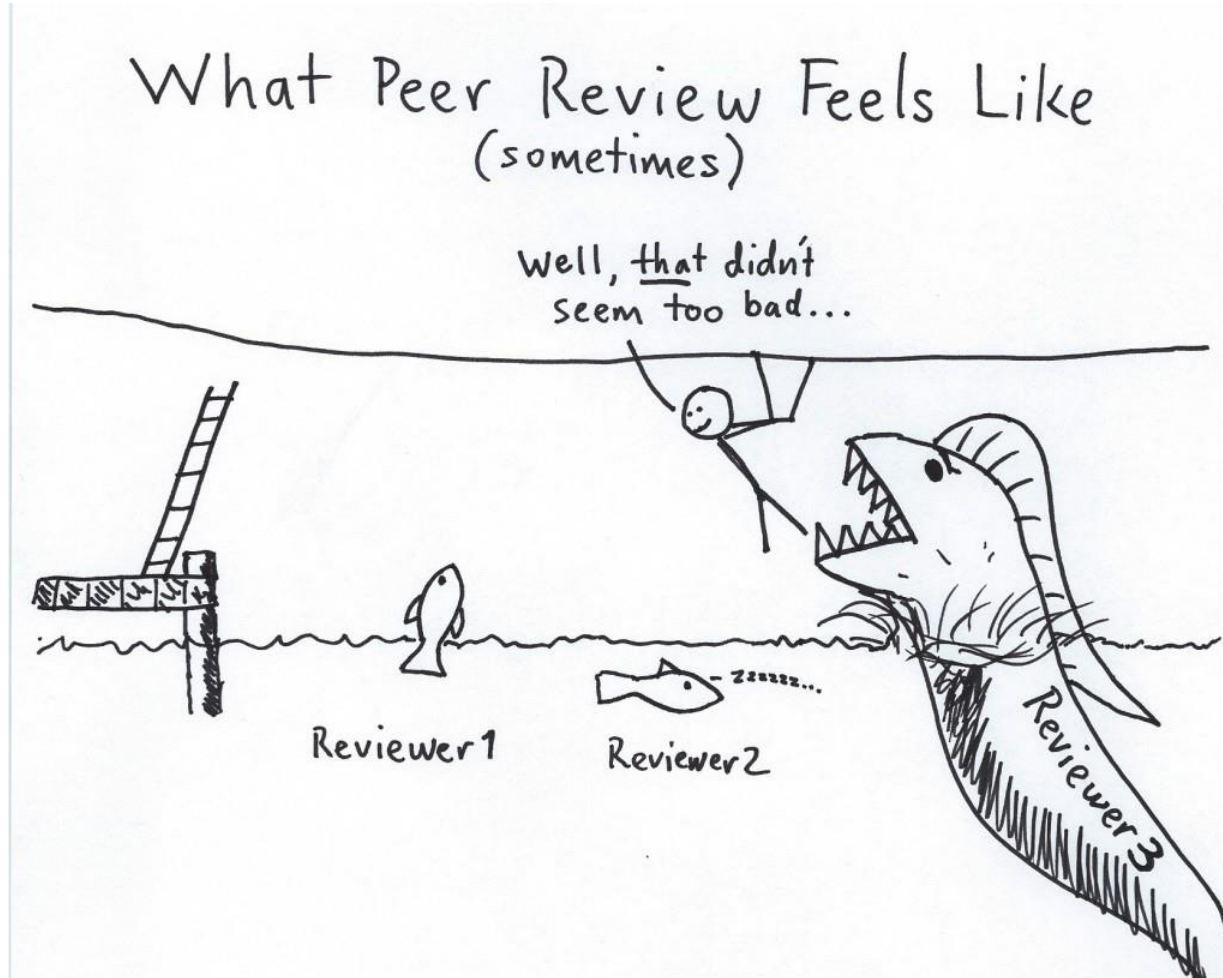
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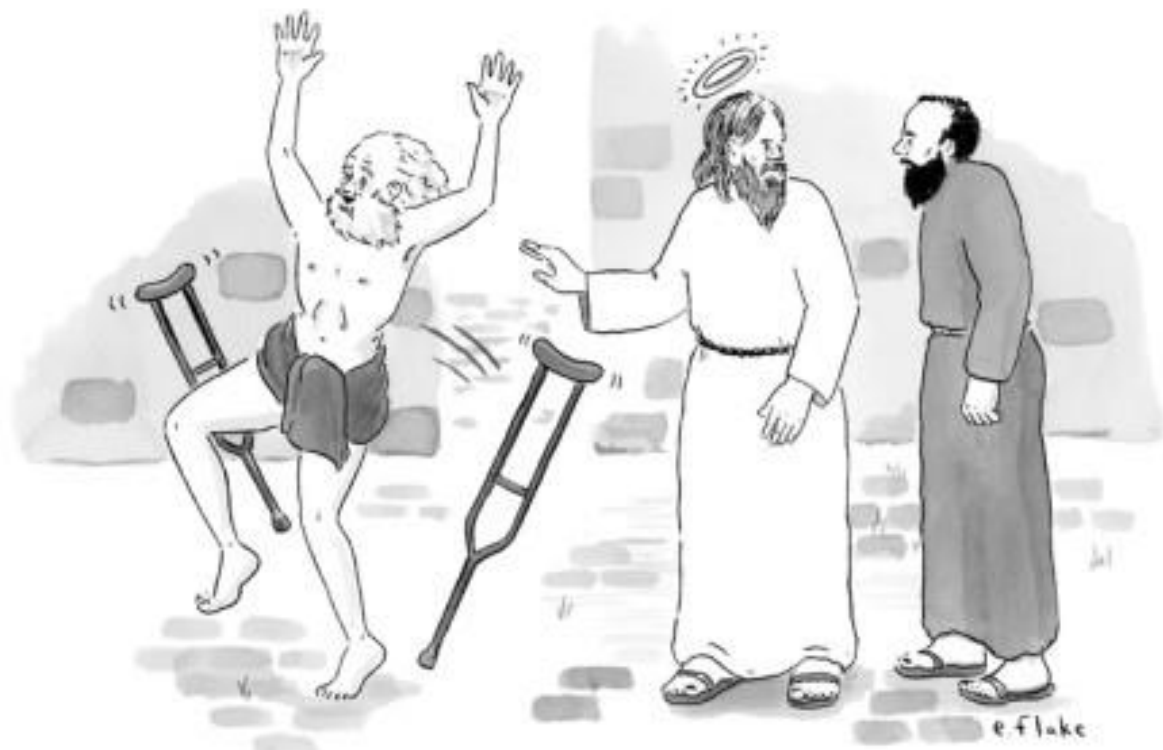
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# Summary

- Innovative operational work will always create scholarly opportunities
- Create a culture of scholarly interest by looking for peer-reviewed evidence to drive decision-making
- Think about your outcomes data! What fills gaps in the literature / has not been published before?
- Realize that not all peer-reviewed manuscripts need to be RCTs – consider case reports, quality improvement articles, perspectives, viewpoints, et cetera
- Collaborate with quality improvement and academic informatics groups locally, and applied informatics groups nationally
- Plan your manuscript type BEFORE writing!

# Questions?



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