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Seventh edition of APA's best-selling *Publication Manual* to publish in October 2019

CHICAGO / LONDON – The long-expected seventh edition of the best-selling *Publication Manual* of the American Psychological Association will go on sale in October, with a first printing of 700,000 copies, APA announced at the opening of APA 2019, the association's 127th annual convention.

More than 15 million copies of the *Publication Manual* have been printed since its debut in 1952. Experts on the APA Style team fielded more than 30,000 inquiries from users of the sixth edition to give authors what they need, through updated content and by making it easier to use.

"APA Style is known for setting the benchmark for effective communication," said APA CEO Arthur C. Evans Jr., PhD. "The new *Publication Manual* continues the legacy of promoting excellence in writing and will help prepare the next generation of academic writers to make an impact with their work."

The *Publication Manual* provides guidance on how to format title pages, headings, direct quotations, bulleted lists, in-text citations, references and more. Major innovations and updates to the *Publication Manual* support both new and experienced authors and will make their writing more precise, concise, and inclusive, according to Evans.

Highlights include the following:

- New student-specific resources, including a sample paper and guidelines for formatting annotated bibliographies.
- 100+ new reference examples, including coverage for websites, social media and classroom resources, plus more than 40 new sample tables and figures.
- An updated chapter with guidelines for writing without bias that address age, disability, gender, race and ethnicity, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, intersectionality, and the use of "they" as singular.
- Best practices for ethical writing, including discussions on avoiding plagiarism and updated guidance on navigating the publication process and disseminating research findings.

- The recommendation for only one space after punctuation at the end of a sentence.
- A new chapter about APA's updated journal article reporting standards.
- Full colour throughout for the first time.
- The debut of a tabbed, spiral-bound edition, which joins the paperback, hardcover and e-book formats.

"The APA Style team has deftly incorporated a decade's worth of research and user feedback into the new edition," said APA Chief Publishing Officer Jasper Simons. "Writers in classrooms, libraries, offices and coffee shops around the globe will find useful, relevant guidance as they craft their work."

The *Publication Manual* has been in constant production and circulation since it debuted in 1952. The book has been translated into 13 languages, including Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, Romanian, Polish, Greek, Thai, complex and simplified Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Arabic and Turkish. It is the style reference tool of choice for writers, editors, students and educators in psychology and an ever-expanding list of disciplines.

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