**Call for Papers**

**Small-Sample Clinical Process and Outcome Research in Systemic Family Therapy**

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Predominant research designs such as randomized controlled trials have been important in establishing the efficacy and effectiveness of couple and family therapy. While valuable, these methods that focus on group-level differences and report average treatment effects across groups, have their shortcomings such as feasibility and applicability to real life clinical practice. Strong science in our field will develop as we use the full array of methods to study clinical phenomena of interest. Small-sample designs, have largely been neglected in systemic family therapy research. These small-sample studies, when rigorously conducted, can advance research and clinical practice, especially with understudied, minoritized, or difficult to engage research populations. To encourage the use of these methods, we are calling for papers that focus on clinical research with small samples (generally fewer than 10 participants). Successful submissions will utilize strong research design with a relationally-focused clinical population to address a topic of interest to the readers of JMFT. Successful submissions will use either a quantitative or mixed-methods analytic approach. Examples of small sample research designs include:

* Reversal or Experimental Withdrawal Design
* Alternating Treatments Design
* Changing Intensity Treatment Design
* Multiple Baselines Design
* Hermeneutic Single-Case Efficacy Design
* Task Analytic Design
* Intensive Longitudinal Designs
* Conversation Analysis

Submissions for this special section are due **July 1st, 2021**.

If you are interested contributing to this special section, please contact the guest editors regarding your intent to submit by **December 15, 2020**.

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