

Editorial

This issue of *Saúde e Sociedade* presents 15 papers, approaching the areas of environment, mental health, health services management, health promotion, human resources formation, health expenditures and accidents, investigated by means of different theoretical and methodological perspectives, ranging from the most classic to the boldest ones, such as phenomenology, the artistic focus and the semiotic one.

Following the current guidelines, our Journal has broadened its national reach. The papers deal with problems deriving not only from São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro. In this issue, the states of Rio Grande do Sul, Paraná, Ceará, Minas Gerais and Pernambuco are also present.

However, besides these aspects, all of us that collaborate in some way with the success of this publication must try to maintain it always centered on the relationship between health and society, which is its distinguishing mark.

The combination of these two criteria - the formal and the identity ones - surely is the receipt to survive in the information “jungle” that characterizes these post-modernity times...

The cover of the present issue has a new visual aspect and the pages were printed in recycled paper, as a contribution to the planet’s environmental sustainability and as the reaffirmation of our identity of commitment to social and environmental causes. From 2008 onwards, the Journal begins to have a quarterly periodicity, due to the large increase in the number of quality papers submitted for publication. This increase in the number of papers per issue and of issues per volume, however, was only possible with the financial contribution of the Strategic and Participative Management Department of the Ministry of Health, of the Program for the Support of USP’s Scientific and Periodic Publications, and of CNPq (the National Council for Scientific and Technological Development). Above all, it is the result of the joint effort of the Editorial Committee and the ad hoc reviewers.

The confirmation of the Journal’s inclusion in the SciELO portal rewards a trajectory of struggle and work that was started 16 years ago by São Paulo’s Public Health Association and by the School of Public Health of the University of São Paulo.