

MEDICAL SURVEILLANCE MONTHLY REPORT

AUTHORSHIP CRITERIA

Per the MSMR Instructions for Authors, individuals claiming authorship should meet all four criteria specified in the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICMJE) authorship guidelines:

- 1. Substantial contributions to the conception or design of the work; or the acquisition, analysis, or interpretation of data for the work; AND
- 2. Drafting the work or revising it critically for important intellectual content; AND
- 3. Final approval of the version to be published; AND
- 4. Agreement to be accountable for all aspects of the work in ensuring that questions related to the accuracy or integrity of any part of the work are appropriately investigated and resolved.

Each author should have participated sufficiently in the work to take public responsibility for appropriate portions of the content. Allowing one's name to appear as an author without having contributed significantly to the study or adding the name of an individual who has not contributed or who has not agreed to the work in its current form is considered a breach of appropriate authorship.

Ghostwriting is NOT acceptable. Only the authors listed in the author line of the manuscript should have contributed substantially to the writing and revising of the manuscript. Contributors who do not meet the criteria for authorship should be listed in an acknowledgment. Examples include: individuals who allowed their clinical experience to be included; a person who provided purely technical help, copyediting, proofreading, or translation assistance; or a department Chair who provided only general support.

Authors are responsible for identifying a single corresponding author who is responsible for forwarding information to the other authors, replying if questions arise or more information is needed, and serving as the primary correspondent with the *MSMR* editorial staff during the submission and review process. Corresponding authors must certify that co-authors whose names are listed in the author line of the manuscript submitted for publication meet all of the required conditions for authorship.



Please provide each author's initials next to the appropriate category.

1.	Study conception and design:
	Acquisition of data:
	Analysis and interpretation of data:
2.	Drafting of manuscript:
	Critical revision:
3.	Final approval of manuscript:
4.	Accountability for all aspects of the work:
CORRES	PONDING AUTHOR:
SIGNATURE:	
DATE:	