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Pursuing our intention of transforming RBCDH while maintaining its autonomy and “brazility”, characteristics that make our journal be the scenario for original research studies, sheltering several distinct lines of scientific research, we will concentrate our efforts, from this issue onwards, on the negotiation process with regional authorities to include it in Scielo - Scientific Electronic Library On Line. This intention results in new challenges to the readers and the journal’s Editorial Board.

To the readers, because we do not see them as passive consumers, hypnotized by the theoretical world of scientific information. We see these readers as active and reflective in the context of their work sphere, from which many of the journal’s relevant studies emerge and will continue to emerge. In our view, based on the daily work routine, which has many different realities and which is analyzed and revised by the readers, life can be reconstructed in a different social basis, in which our children and adolescents, the primary objects of RBCDH, are able to appropriate the meaning of Equity, in all its conceptual and responsive amplitude.

As for the journal’s Board, editors and referees, their challenges will be increasingly based on the analysis of the relevance of the submitted articles in light of the journal’s possible contributions to society. We would like to assure that we do not see our journal as a mass vehicle in the quantitative sense, directed to a specific group or to an inert and indistinct reality. Rather, we see it in the sense of plurality, recognizing that our public has different concentration degrees and focuses, relating them to other important aspects of their lives.

Anyway, the journal, in its full adolescent vigor, offers us a particularly interesting issue. Due

to one of these celestial alignments, which are observed only by sailors, we were able to group, in this issue, many results of original research studies focusing on the institutionalized baby (day-care centers, intensive care units for newborns and hospitalized child), with different approaches, situations that are quite common nowadays, as an article about the violence in two graphic stories by Laconte de Lisle Coelho Junior. Among the current comments, the articles by Alfaya and Lopes and by Pereira e Almeida analyze the repercussions of maternal depression on the baby’s development and as to the relation between health and power. Besides this reflection concerning women’s health, Drs. Dafne Suit and Antonio Marcos Chaves approach the feminine role and its social representation, in this case, regarding AIDS transmission.

We report two experiences, one focusing on the adoption process and the other highlighting the importance of the involvement of primary and secondary school teachers in health promotion and education. The journal is completed by a review of an extremely important text written by Giorgio Agamben, which is finally offered to the Brazilian public.

Finally, when we were writing this editorial, we heard about the passing away of our great colleague and RBCDH collaborator, professor doctor Márcia Regina Maria Pedromônico, of UNIFESP. We must, therefore, acknowledge and thank her with all our hearts for her efforts in defense of our children and adolescents. In this case, we would like to recall the great Portuguese poet Fernando Pessoa, who once wrote that “*Navegar é preciso, viver não é preciso*” (Sailing is necessary and precise, living is not). Enjoy your reading!

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