Selected References for Medical Writing & Reviewing


Helpful Web Sites for Writing

Common Errors in English website by Paul Brians
Professor of English and book author, Washington State University
http://www.wsu.edu/~brians/errors/index.html

The Slot: a spot for copy editors
By Bill Walsh
http://www.theslot.com/

Online Writing Lab (OWL)
Purdue University
http://owl.english.purdue.edu/

American Psychological Association (APA)
Citation information, questions, FAQs on APA style
http://www.apastyle.org/previoustips.html

Sample APA Style Electronic Formats
By Dr. Mary Ellen Guffey
http://www.westwords.com/guffey/apa.html

Scholarly writing with resources related to law/legal citation
Cleveland State University Law Library
http://www.law.csuohio.edu/lawlibrary/lawpubs/ScholarlyWritingResourceGuide.htm

Responsible Conduct of Research Courses Portal
Columbia University
(http://ccnmtl.columbia.edu/projects/rcr/index.html)

World Association of Medical Editors (http://www.wame.org/pubethicrecom.htm)

International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (http://www.icmje.org/)

Nurse Author & Editor Newsletter (Founding editor: Suzanne Hall Johnson)
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