INTRODUCTION

Today's Medical Writer has an important role in communicating, capturing, melding, disentangling, and reassembling biomedical information into logical packages for a variety of audiences. The role of the medical writer is vital to everyone in our culture. Society depends on medical writers to develop and communicate information that has an impact on modern healthcare.

The following collection of selected medical writing and editing samples were chosen to represent a variety of writing skills that are needed by today's medical writer. In a few cases, the documents have been abbreviated to some degree. In those documents that were reduced, the remaining portion captures the essence of the writing or development portrayed.

The samples in the Medical Writing section of this portfolio were selected to showcase various pieces developed from notes, or by substantially changing an early draft to arrive at a final edition. The samples in the Medical Editing section were chosen to demonstrate editing skills on a pre-written document. "Before" and "after" samples, are featured to illustrate the changes from a starting point, and ending with a final copy.