

Editorial

Saúde e Sociedade is the result of a partnership that has been lasting for more than ten years, between *Associação Paulista de Saúde Pública* (São Paulo's Public Health Association) and the School of Public Health of University of São Paulo. One of its objectives is to create an editorial space that enables the articulation of the knowledge and practice dimensions in the Public Health field.

Today, this initiative is consolidated. The journal, always concerned about the quality of the works it publishes, has academic-scientific rigor in the analyses of articles resulting from research and welcomes reports on experiences in the health services. *Saúde e Sociedade* is one of the most important scientific journals in the Public Health area, and is indexed in international bibliographic databases.

The organization of this supplement of *Saúde e Sociedade* meets its objectives, that is, it supports and recognizes as an important production, for scientific knowledge and for health practices and reflection, the debates and presentations of works that took place in the 10th São Paulo's Public Health Congress, held in 2007 by São Paulo's Public Health Association, an event that is included in the local and national Public Health agenda.

It is important to highlight in this supplement the incorporation of articles that contain the expositions of the 1st Seminar of the Technical Schools of the National Health System (SUS), an activity that was part of the program of the 10th São Paulo's Public Health Congress, offering important contributions about the qualification of professionals for the Brazilian health system.

This Seminar received the support of the Ministry of Health, particularly of the Work and Health Education Management Department, due to the importance of this discussion to the strengthening of SUS. This supplement of *Saúde e Sociedade* is part of this support.