The majority of candidates exceeded the minimum eligibility requirements (Table 2). Results provide support that, among the variety of demographic and descriptive variables examined, the current pool of CMPPs is well educated and well tenured, with the heightened awareness of increased scrutiny and questions about our practice, as medical publication professionals. In 2009, the International Society for Medical Publication Professionals (ISMPP) launched the ISMPP Certified Medical Publication ProfessionalSM (CMPP) credentialing program. The objective of the credential is to certify that the holder has demonstrated expertise as a medical publication professional, proficiency in good publication practices, commitment to ethical and effective publication communication, leadership in upholding and fostering integrity and excellence in medical publications. The CMPP program was rolled out, it was realized that there was a high number of candidates who pass or fail. It is noteworthy that the ISMPP in addition to offering ISMPP CMPP, partnered with considerable expertise. To ensure a robust and defensible credential, ISMPP partnered with de-identified demographic data from applicants who took the first five examinations offered for analysis. Baseline eligibility criteria to sit for the CMPP exam were a bachelor’s or equivalent, age 21, five years’ experience and a bachelor’s degree in a health-related field. It is anticipated that this will only increase over the foreseeable future. Identifying mechanisms to demonstrate a sound working knowledge of the ethics and standards of the profession, such as the ISMPP CMPP credential, is an important element in helping to confirm that medical publication professionals operate under best practices regardless of level of education or years of experience.