

Wikipedia staunchly biased about EFT tapping



Millions of visitors visit Wikipedia each day. And if they want to read about **emotional freedom techniques (EFT) tapping** and other holistic healing modalities, they won't get reliable information, according to many leading proponents of **EFT tapping**.

The **Association for Comprehensive Energy Psychology (ACEP)** launched **a petition** last year calling for Wikipedia to address their biased editing practices. According to the **Wikipedia website**, "anyone with internet access can write and make changes to Wikipedia articles, except in limited cases where editing is restricted to prevent disruption or vandalism." Yet unlike the vast majority of pages on Wikipedia, the page related to **EFT tapping** cannot be edited except by a select few.

"A lot of the pages on Wikipedia are very good," says **Dawson Church, Ph.D.**, chief executive officer of **EFT Universe** and author of "**The EFT Manual**." "But when Wikipedia allows fringe editors to take control of pages and promote their own views, content goes off the rails. That's that happened with the page for **EFT tapping**. It is completely biased and is written by those who oppose the

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More than 9,000 people signed the petition hoping for a thoughtful, reasoned response from Jimmy Wales, founder of Wikipedia. Instead, Wales slammed the petition and those who signed it.

"No, you have to be kidding me," Wales said, according to ACEP. "Every single person who signed this petition needs to go back to check their premises and think harder about what it means to be honest, factual, truthful. Wikipedia's policies around this kind of thing are exactly spot-on and correct. If you can get your work published in respectable scientific journals — that is to say, if you can produce evidence through replicable scientific experiments — then Wikipedia will cover it appropriately. What we won't do is pretend that the work of lunatic charlatans is the equivalent of 'true scientific discourse'. It isn't."

"Many EFT studies have met recognized standards, such as those published by the American Psychological Association (APA)," Dr. Church says. "But people will not know that when they visit Wikipedia because the EFT page is controlled by a group of organized skeptics who are not neutral but rather are opposed to EFT. What we need is to drop the name calling and the emotional rhetoric and take a balanced look at the evidence. A responsible organization would look at recognized standards for evidence-based therapies and publish objective content rather than the views of either uninformed skeptics or zealous advocates."

Dr. Church says that no amount of evidence will sway people who are convinced that EFT tapping is pseudoscience. But he's certain that continued research is the answer to proving that EFT tapping is an effective way to help people deal with stress, anxiety, phobias, post traumatic stress disorder and more. You can

read more about EFT research and the APA standards [here](#).