

Call for Applications for Editor-in-Chief

Nutrition in Clinical Practice (NCP)

An official journal of the American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (ASPEN)

Nutrition in Clinical Practice (NCP) is seeking its next Editor-in-Chief (EIC) with a start date of January 2024. The ideal candidate will advance the journal's reputation, profile, and mission to publish the highest quality research and content in clinical nutrition care. The EIC will appoint and lead the editorial team, actively promoting and strengthening the journal while upholding the highest standards concerning editorial policies and professional practice. The EIC will engage the journal's audiences at all levels, developing its content, and extending its reach with authors and readers.

The EIC oversees the peer review of all manuscripts, distributes them to Deputy/Associate Editors (based on their area of expertise) and is ultimately responsible for all editorial decisions. In addition, they commission high-quality original and review articles, appoint and manage Deputy/Associate Editors, and build and maintain a supportive team of highly qualified colleagues to serve as members of the editorial board and as reviewers. The EIC works closely with ASPEN's editorial office and the publisher's production staff to ensure timely publication of all issues and supplements and reports to the President and Board of Directors (BOD) at ASPEN. The appointment is for a 5-year term, renewable for one additional 5-year term and comes with a stipend. The successful candidate must be available to begin in July 2023 for an overlap transition period with the current EIC.

Key Responsibilities

- Maintain high standards in the peer-review process and ensure that the journal adheres to best practices with respect to research integrity and publishing ethics in accordance with COPE (Committee on Publishing Ethics) guidelines.
- Solicit high quality articles and special issues, and plan Supplements in consultation with the Deputy Editor/Associate Editors, and the Editorial Board.
- Ensure efficient handling of the manuscripts by the Deputy Editor/Associate Editors, the Editorial Board, and reviewers, and maintain frequent communication with ASPEN staff and the production team.
- Develop and lead the Editorial Board, advise on the composition of its members to achieve a diverse representation of the community the journal serves, mentor new members, and actively participate in succession planning for all levels of the editorial team.
- Support the preparation and realization of strategic editorial plans to maintain/increase *NCP's* status and visibility.
- Collaborate with staff at ASPEN and the Publisher in promoting *NCP* - oversee/participate in the social media strategy and participate in a podcast and a continuing education article for each issue.
- Respond to feedback, suggestions from readers, and ethical problems regarding published work.

- Work collaboratively with the EIC of ASPEN's sister journal, the *Journal of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (JPEN)*.
- Prepare an annual report on the status of the journal to be delivered to the BOD at ASPEN's annual meeting.
- Represent *NCP* at scientific meetings.

Desired Attributes

- Doctorate or other terminal degree in field of specialization
- Nutrition research and publication experience
- Strong background in clinical practice
- Adequate time to devote to journal responsibilities – estimated to be at least 10 hours per week
- Expert in clinical nutrition practice with a range of contacts in the field
- Experience serving on an editorial board in some capacity: reviewer, chapter editor or other editorial experience
- Member of ASPEN or member emeritus preferred
- Strong leadership, communication, and organizational skills
- High professional and ethical standards
- Excellent manager of time and deadlines

Application Process

Please email your curriculum vitae with a cover letter detailing your background, history with nutrition journals and vision for *NCP* by 20 March 2023 to jobs@nutritioncare.org.

About *NCP*

NCP is published by ASPEN in partnership with our publisher, Wiley. It is a peer-reviewed, interdisciplinary journal that is dedicated to publishing articles about the scientific basis and clinical application of nutrition and nutrition support. *NCP* is published bi-monthly and is an official journal of the American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (ASPEN).

The aims of *NCP* are to disseminate current research on clinical nutrition and nutrition support from an interdisciplinary viewpoint and bridge the gap between research and practice. *NCP* contains comprehensive reviews, clinical research, case observations, and other types of papers written by experts in the field of nutrition and health care practitioners involved in the delivery of specialized nutrition support.

Currently, *NCP* Editors determine specific nutrition themes for each issue and solicit articles for those themes. Unsolicited articles based on the identified themes, or any other topic related to clinical nutrition and nutrition support are also published. It receives over 500 submissions per year and in addition, publishes ASPEN Consensus Recommendations, Standards of Practice and Special Reports.

Special Note

Individuals who are employed by a Commercial Interest—defined as an entity producing, marketing, re-selling, or distributing healthcare goods or services consumed by patients, used directly in the process of patient care, or used for improving the healthcare processes (other than the provision of patient care)—are ineligible to serve as *NCP* Editor-in Chief.

ASPEN: Leading the Science and Practice of Clinical Nutrition

ASPEN is dedicated to improving patient care by advancing the science and practice of clinical nutrition and metabolism. Founded in 1976, ASPEN is an interdisciplinary organization whose members are involved in the provision of clinical nutrition therapies, including parenteral and enteral nutrition. With members from around the world, ASPEN is a community of dietitians, nurses, pharmacists, physicians, scientists, students, and other health professionals from every facet of nutrition support clinical practice, research, and education.