Editor-in-Chief Opportunity: *Journal of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition* (JPEN)

The *Journal of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition* (JPEN), an official journal of the American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (ASPEN), is seeking an exceptional leader to serve as its next Editor-in-Chief, with the appointment beginning in July 2027.

The ideal candidate will provide strategic and editorial leadership to advance JPEN's reputation, profile, and mission to publish the highest quality content in clinical nutrition care. They will recruit and lead the editorial team, actively promoting and strengthening the journal and upholding the highest standards concerning editorial policies, integrity, and professional practice. They will engage the journal's community, shape its editorial content, and expand its reach and impact among authors and readers.

The Editor-in-Chief oversees the peer review process for all manuscripts, assigns them to editors and reviewers based on subject-matter expertise, and makes final editorial decisions. In addition, they commission high-quality original and review articles, appoint and manage a Deputy Editor and Associate Editors, and build and maintain a diverse and qualified Editorial Board and reviewer pool. They work closely with ASPEN's editorial office and the publisher's production staff to ensure the timely publication of all issues and supplements, and report regularly to ASPEN's President and Board of Directors.

The appointment is for a 5-year term, and a stipend is provided. To ensure a smooth leadership transition, the successful candidate must be available to begin an overlap period with the current EIC in January 2027.

Key Responsibilities

- Provide strategic leadership for the journal, ensuring the highest standards of editorial quality, research integrity, and publishing ethics in accordance with Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE) guidelines.
- Oversee the peer-review process, ensuring timely, rigorous, and fair editorial decisions while maintaining an efficient pathway from manuscript submission to publication.
- Address ethical concerns, appeals, complaints, and feedback from authors, reviewers, and readers in a professional and transparent manner.
- Commission high-quality original research, review articles, and special issues in collaboration with the Deputy Editor, Associate Editors, and Editorial Board.
- Lead, develop, and support the editorial team, including appointing, mentoring, and evaluating the Deputy Editor, Associate Editors, Editorial Board members, and reviewers, while fostering a diverse and inclusive editorial community and planning for leadership succession.
- Collaborate closely with ASPEN staff and the publisher's production team to ensure the timely publication of regular issues and supplements.
- Develop and implement the journal's strategic editorial vision to enhance JPEN's scientific impact, reputation, visibility, and engagement within the clinical nutrition community.

- Partner with ASPEN and the publisher's marketing teams to promote the journal, expand its audience, and support digital communications and social media initiatives.
- Work collaboratively with the Editor-in-Chief of ASPEN's sister journal, *Nutrition in Clinical Practice*, to advance shared editorial goals and strengthen the journals' collective impact.
- Guide the ongoing development of the journal by evaluating and refining its aims and scope, identifying emerging areas of scholarship, and introducing editorial initiatives as appropriate.
- Prepare and present an annual report on the journal's performance and strategic direction to the ASPEN Board of Directors at the Society's Annual Meeting and provide regular updates to the Board as requested.
- Represent JPEN and ASPEN at national and international scientific meetings, serving as an ambassador for the journal and engaging with the global nutrition research community.
- Commit the time necessary to effectively fulfill the responsibilities of the Editor-in-Chief throughout the term of appointment.

Desired Attributes

- An earned doctoral degree (eg, PhD, MD, PharmD, or equivalent).
- A distinguished record of research, scholarship, and publication in clinical nutrition or a related field.
- A recognized expert in the nutrition care field, with a broad appreciation for the diverse fields of clinical nutrition.
- A wide sphere of influence and range of contacts in the field of clinical nutrition and nutrition care.
- Prior editorial experience, such as serving as an Editor, Associate Editor, Editorial Board member, or peer reviewer for a scholarly journal.
- Active engagement with ASPEN, including at least 5 years of membership or Emeritus status, with a demonstrated commitment to the Society and its mission.
- Proven leadership, organizational, and team management skills, with the ability to mentor and inspire a diverse editorial team.
- Excellent written, verbal, and interpersonal communication skills, with the ability to collaborate effectively with authors, reviewers, editors, society leadership, publishers, and staff.
- Experience using online manuscript submission and peer-review systems from the perspective of an editor, author, and/or reviewer.
- Familiarity with current and emerging trends in scholarly publishing, including advances in publishing technology and editorial best practices.
- A demonstrated commitment to the highest standards of professionalism, editorial independence, research integrity, and publication ethics.
- Exceptional organizational and time-management skills, with the ability to prioritize competing responsibilities and consistently meet deadlines.

Application Process

Please email your curriculum vitae with a cover letter detailing your background, history with nutrition journals, and vision for JPEN by September 9 to **jobs@nutritioncare.org**.

About JPEN

JPEN is currently published by ASPEN in partnership with our publisher, Wiley. It is the premier journal of scientific research on nutrition and metabolic support, publishing clinical content presenting developments and advances in optimizing the care of patients receiving enteral or intravenous therapies. Currently published 8 times a year, JPEN represents the leading science-based resource on clinical nutrition and nutrition care for healthcare professionals, publishing original research, reviews, editorials, and ASPEN policy statements and clinical guidelines. The journal receives over 800 submissions per year.

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 JPEN Editor-in-Chief.

About ASPEN

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 providing clinical nutrition therapies, including parenteral and enteral nutrition. With almost 6,000 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.