

**The role: Editor-in-Chief of *Injury Prevention***

BMJ is looking for an ambitious and dynamic Editor-in-Chief for *Injury Prevention*, one of the leading multidisciplinary journals dedicated to the prevention of unintentional, occupational, and intentional (violence-related) injuries. The journal offers the best in science, policy, and public health practice to reduce the burden of injury in all age groups.

The candidate should be an active researcher and/or practising clinician in any branch of injury research. They will establish a vision for the role that continues the momentum created by the current editorial team, advances the journal's international reputation and profile, and provides engaging and informed content. They will act as an ambassador, upholding the highest ethical standards and editorial policies. The editor should be able to utilise their extensive international network of contacts to target areas of growth and introduce new types of content or emerging topic areas to the journal that will engage the journal's audiences and develop its global reach.

Applicants should have an MD or PhD (or similar degree) and should be able to demonstrate their stature and impact in the field. The ideal candidate(s) will have editorial experience handling manuscripts, a commitment to academic excellence, and excellent interpersonal skills. A general interest in journal publishing and a commitment to the wide dissemination of research via open access publication would be beneficial.

This is an independent contractor position and the initial term of office is three years. The Editor has responsibility for the editorial strategy and content of the journal, with support from their appointed editorial team and BMJ. Editorial training and technical support will be provided, together with strategic guidance. An annual honorarium and other benefits are provided, as well as editorial office support. The time commitment will depend on the structure of the editorial team, but is estimated at the equivalent of one day per week.

**Main responsibilities**

The Editor-in-Chief will be responsible for all the scholarly and non-scholarly content published in the journal, and will:

- Provide high quality and engaging content for a broad audience
- Establish and lead a diverse and supportive team of highly qualified international colleagues to serve as members of the editorial team
- Maintain and ensure the integrity of the review process and publishing ethics, providing guidance to authors and reviewers as appropriate
- Develop procedures for effective triage and review of articles, working closely with the editorial team to ensure timely responses to authors
- Supervise the journal's response to appeals, complaints, suggestions from readers and ethical queries regarding published work
- Add value by commissioning editorials, reviews, educational material and multimedia content, and seeking opportunities to publish themed issues and supplements
- Build and maintain collaborative relationships with affiliated organisations and events to advance the journal's international reputation and profile

### About *Injury Prevention*

[Injury Prevention](#) is an online international peer reviewed journal publishing original research, opinion, debate and special features on the prevention of unintentional, occupational and intentional (violence-related) injuries. The journal offers regular audio podcasts, a blog highlighting news in the field, and active social media channels.

The journal is owned by BMJ and is the official journal of the Society for Advancement of Violence and Injury Research (SAVIR).

*Injury Prevention* is indexed in all major databases, including MEDLINE, Web of Science and Scopus. It has a Journal Impact Factor of 2.399 and a CiteScore of 3.7.

### Being an Editor for BMJ

As Editor of *Injury Prevention* you will benefit from:

- The chance to shape the field and play a role in the development of the specialty
- An annual honorarium
- Attendance at a Medical Editors' training course
- Networking events with other BMJ Journal Editors
- Training and support
- Opportunities to interact with researchers and clinicians around the world

### Application process

To be considered for the role, please send your CV and a covering letter outlining your interest and experience, a SWOT analysis of the journal, and your editorial vision for its future development. Applications should be sent to Lindsey Fountain, Associate Publisher, at [lfountain@bmj.com](mailto:lfountain@bmj.com). International and joint applications are welcomed. Interviews will be held via video conference.

#### **Application deadline: 3rd April 2022**

Start date: 1st January 2023, although the successful candidate should have the opportunity of working alongside the current Editor-in-Chief in the second half of 2022.

### About BMJ

*Injury Prevention* is owned by [BMJ](#). BMJ is a global healthcare knowledge provider with a vision for a healthier world. We share knowledge and expertise to improve healthcare outcomes. Along with our renowned flagship title, The BMJ, we offer over 70 specialty journals, a world leading collection of digital professional development resources, clinical decision support tools, and educational events.