Editor of JGIM: Call for Letters of Interest

Due Date: May 30, 2016

SGIM is pleased to request letters of interest regarding the position of Editor(s)-in-Chief for the *Journal of General Internal Medicine*. The position of Editor(s)-in-Chief of *JGIM* is one of the most important and visible positions within the Society. *JGIM* provides a critical forum for publication for our membership on topics of interest to the field of general internal medicine. By the judicious selection of articles for publication, the *JGIM* Editor(s)-in-Chief help to shape our field. The importance of the *JGIM* Editor(s)-in-Chief is shown by the fact that he/she/they are *ex officio* members of the SGIM Council, and joins the ranks of our previous editors, including current co-editors Richard Kravitz and Mitchell Feldman, and former editors William Tierney and Martha Gerrity, Eric Bass, Sankey Williams, David Dale, and Robert and Suzanne Fletcher.

The next Editor(s)-in-Chief will lead an outstanding journal. The *Journal* has been, and will continue to be, a premier vehicle for the publication of a wide variety of original research performed by SGIM members and others. The term for this Editor(s)-in-Chief will likely see a continuation in the increase in the use of the Internet for dissemination of scholarly material, as well as enhancing the electronic systems for handling the editorial process.

This Call is soliciting initial letters of interest in the position of *JGIM* Editor(s)-in-Chief, for a five year term commencing July 1, 2017. A two-step selection process will be used:

1. **Initial letters of interest: due May 30, 2016 by 5:00pm EDT.**

2. **Full proposals: due October 14, 2016.**

Based on the letters of interest, several candidates will be invited to submit full proposals. The candidates invited to submit the full proposals will be notified in late July 2016 and the full proposals will be due on October 14, 2016. Based on the full proposals, several finalists may be invited to attend the SGIM Council’s Winter Retreat for a telephone interview by the Council in December 2016. The candidate/team selected as Editor(s)-in-Chief will be notified by January 2017 and will therefore have about six months to prepare for assuming the editorship. The new Editor(s)-in-Chief will begin accepting manuscripts as of July 1, 2017 and will have full responsibility for the January 2018 issue of the journal and moving forward.

**The requirements for the initial letter of interest are as follows:**

* Two-page letter outlining the candidate’s general vision for the *Journal*, both *JGIM* online and in print, briefly summarizing his/her editorial and/or other relevant experience, and providing a partial listing of the individuals who would be expected to be key personnel for the editorial team and their institution(s) (e.g., potential associate/deputy editors).
• Candidate’s Curriculum Vitae, including prior SGIM involvement.

Submission of a letter of interest is required for further consideration. However, candidates may withdraw from the search process at any time, should their plans change.

Interested members may request a copy of the most recent editor’s and publisher’s reports by contacting Francine Jetton, SGIM Director of Communications and Publications. Questions about the search process may be directed to Francine Jetton (jettonf@sgim.org) at the SGIM office, or to Patrick O’Connor, MD, MPH, Chair, JGIM Editorial Board (patrick.oconnor@yale.edu).

Letters of interest should be submitted to: Francine Jetton, SGIM Director of Communications at jettonf@sgim.org no later than 5:00pm EDT on May 30, 2016.