Editor’s Perspective

Goodbye, Thank You, and Welcome

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This issue marks a change in the Editorial Board of *Circulation: Cardiovascular Quality and Outcomes*. We started our journey in September 2008 with an Editorial Board comprised of exceptional outcomes researchers. The board members provided us with guidance and support, and they contributed substantially as reviewers and guest editors. We depended on them and learned from them as the journal grew.

With each year, the field of cardiovascular outcomes research has gained strength as increasing numbers of individuals contribute consequential scholarship in the service of helping patients and the public. This depth of talent makes available to us a broad range of experienced individuals from which we have drawn to create the new board. We sought to select those who were distinguished by their novel, impactful work, a generous spirit, and a willingness to help us continue to improve the journal. We also sought a group that might help us creatively disseminate information from our articles through social media.

Our goal is to make the journal an instrument of positive change within health care and a tool to improve patients’ outcomes and the public’s health. We seek to leverage the interests, ideas, and efforts of our new board to transform the journal into an even more effective vehicle to promote the best science in our field and to garner visibility for our publications. We also recognize that we cannot succeed without serving our authors and readers well, and we look to our audience for suggestions about how we can improve. We are one community, and our success depends on the engagement of everyone connected with the journal.

Readers should note that we sought to enlist a board that represents different areas of cardiovascular care and stroke, as well as geographic diversity. Our intention is to be a truly international journal.

As in the past, the members of the board will also serve as reviewers and guest editors. The role of guest editor is particularly critical because all submissions on which there is an author with whom the editor has published are assigned to a guest editor to ensure an impartial process.

In our first 5 years, we established *Circulation: Cardiovascular Quality and Outcomes* as a destination for outstanding science. Our submissions are increasing, citations for our papers are rising, and recognition of the journal is broadening. Not content to focus only on past accomplishments, we now direct our efforts toward making an even greater impact. We know that our future success still depends on the wisdom and contributions of the members of our founding Editorial Board. We consider them emeriti, we thank them, and we are hopeful that they will continue to provide mentorship to the journal.

Following is a list of the members of our new Editorial Board. We welcome them as part of our quest to make a positive difference:


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