



ISHLT Links

CALL FOR ISHLT LINKS EDITOR APPLICATIONS

DEADLINE: October 2, 2017

The International Society for Heart and Lung Transplantation (ISHLT) is seeking an enthusiastic, creative and innovative individual to become the new Editor of the monthly ISHLT LINKS newsletter.

After 7 years of exceptional and dedicated service as Editor, Vincent Valentine's term will be expiring in April, 2018.

Applicants for the Editor position must be members in good standing of the ISHLT and should **submit a letter of interest by October 2, 2017**. The letter of interest should include the following:

- the reason the applicant is interested in this volunteer position
- previous experiences (managerial, leadership, editorial, etc.) that speak to his/her qualifications for the position
- a statement of the applicant's vision for the newsletter

The ISHLT LINKS Editor position will be a three-year appointment, with the option of being renewed for additional years up to a five-year maximum. The Editor will have the ability to appoint associate editors as needed. The Editor's primary responsibilities will be to:

- implement the strategic vision for the newsletter
- determine the theme for each issue, proactively identify and solicit its content, and task the appropriate individuals to deliver that content
- provide editorial guidance to the associate editors and other contributors
- work with the ISHLT staff to produce the newsletter
- work with the Board of Directors to ensure that the newsletter meets the communications goals and objectives of the Society
- work with the Program Committee, media consultants, and staff to identify writers for and develop the content for the Daily LINKS Newsletter at the Annual Meeting
- meet tight deadlines
- respond rapidly to evolving issues

The Board's goal for the LINKS is that it serves to keep the Society membership abreast of ISHLT programs, activities, and emerging opportunities. The LINKS is a vital means by which the Board meets the Society's strategic goals of 1) enhancing membership value, 2) engaging our community worldwide, 3) improving science and driving innovation.

Accordingly, the Board expects the LINKS to include content such as the following:

- 1) Regular, scheduled updates from the President and Program Chair/Committee
- 2) Board news (including new policies or procedures, finance information, governance updates, important deadlines, new programs and services)
- 3) Education Committee news (new educational offerings)
- 4) Registry news (including new registries, new additions to our registry participants, new data of interest)

- 5) Standards and Guidelines news
- 6) Scientific Council news

The Board also desires to use the LINKS to enhance international engagement, perhaps by sharing information about upcoming co-sponsored or endorsed activities and collaborations, or even with stories from our newer members and centers in emerging programs. The International and Intersociety Coordinating Committee (I2C2) can be helpful in this regard.

Further, the Board believes that the third strategic imperative (improving science and driving innovation) could be boosted by 1) highlighting upcoming or recent JHLT articles and 2) inclusion of Grants and Awards announcements, grant opportunities, and reports about award recipients and innovation driven by those individuals ISHLT has supported through grants.

Additionally, the current directed sections with pearls from senior faculty or inclusion of historical events related to advanced heart and lung disease or the Society continue to be valuable in making the connections between ISHLT, its members, and our clinical/scientific focus.

In recognition of the commitment and time involved, the Society will award an Honorarium of \$500 per issue to the Editor or Associate Editor assigned primary responsibility for the given month's edition, when published on time.

Please send all letters of interest to Megan Barrett (megan.barrett@ishlt.org) by October 2, 2017.

The ISHLT Board of Directors will consider applications and come to a decision in early 2018. Responsibility for the newsletter will begin with the June 2018 issue.

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