The American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) invites applications for the position of editor for *AGA Perspectives*, the AGA Institute’s bi-monthly magazine. *AGA Perspectives* is a unique publication that members have come to appreciate for its controversial debates and quick clinical updates authored by leading experts in the field. To maintain the magazine’s success and to elevate it to new levels, AGA is looking for a forward-thinking, enthusiastic individual who tracks breaking research and emerging trends to serve as its next editor. See below to learn more about *AGA Perspectives* and what it takes to become the next editor. The term of office is five years, with an official start date of June 1, 2019.

**About AGA**

The American Gastroenterological Association is the trusted voice of the GI community. Founded in 1897, AGA has more than 16,000 members from around the globe who are involved in all aspects of the science, practice and advancement of gastroenterology.

**About *AGA Perspectives***

*AGA Perspectives* is a bi-monthly magazine that: (a) provides an opinion forum for noted gastroenterologists to debate today’s most controversial topics, (b) provides brief updates on other topics relevant to academic and practicing physicians and scientists, and (c) offers an inside look at AGA leadership and activities. The publication is accessible online by visiting [http://agaperspectives.gastro.org/](http://agaperspectives.gastro.org/).

**Format**

The magazine features eight to 10 expert-written opinion articles in each issue. The highlighted features of each issue are “point-counterpoint” articles on a controversial topic in the field. Issues cover a diverse range of clinical topic areas and are interspersed with articles on topics...
including, but not limited to, practice management, reimbursement, training, policy, new technology, research funding and AGA news.

Reach

AGA Perspectives is available to all AGA members online. Once the issue is finalized, an email blast is distributed to all members. Content is promoted on AGA’s website, in AGA eDigest, on AGA’s social media channels and in other AGA communication, as appropriate. AGA works closely with AGA Perspectives contributors to promote their published articles. Beginning in 2019, the magazine will be printed and mailed to AGA members through an agreement with American Medical Communications, a publishing company contracted to sell advertisements to support the publication.

Editorial office

AGA’s communications department, located in Bethesda, Maryland, supports the development of AGA Perspectives. The managing editor (staff) will work closely with the editor. This staff person manages author invitations and submissions, coordinates internal editorial review, works with physician reviewers and authors to finalize content, and promotes the magazine’s content. AGA will work closely with American Medical Communications to develop the online presence for the magazine, as well as the print magazine and ensure it is compliant with AGA’s brand standards.

Authority and reporting

The editor reports to the AGA Institute Publications Committee, which provides general oversight of the magazine. The editor also serves as an ex-officio member of the publications committee, which meets in person twice per year.

Proposed changes that will significantly affect the magazine’s mission, structure, format, finances or editorial philosophy must be reviewed and approved by the committee and, in some cases, the AGA Institute Governing Board.
The editor has sole final authority over all decisions regarding the content of the magazine and all other matters related to editorial integrity. Final authority over magazine operations, with the exception noted in the preceding sentence, rests with the AGA Institute Governing Board.

**Specific duties**

- Ensure the magazine is conveying forward-thinking content of interest to members.
- Propose content and authors.
- Solicit content ideas from committee and section chairs.
- Based on feedback received, develop yearly editorial calendar (six issues).
- Review/approve editorial content lists.
- Identify physician reviewers for articles.
- Review articles (eight-10 per issue) and seek revisions from authors as needed.
- Approve issues prior to going to press.
- Draft editor’s note for each issue.
- Collaborate with staff on promotion of the magazine.
- Oversee redesigns and format changes.

**Tenure**

The term of office is five years, with an official start date of June 1, 2019. Applicants should be available to begin training and transitioning into the role of editor beginning March 2019.

**Honoraria**

The editor of *AGA Perspectives* shall receive a yearly honorarium of $5,000, paid out quarterly.

**Qualifications of editor**

- AGA member.
- Understands the strategic priorities of the organization.
• Has a sense of hot topics in gastroenterology that will be of interest to the spectrum of AGA members (U.S.-based physicians, scientists, nurse practitioners/physician assistants, fellows and their international counterparts).
• Experience in medical, scientific or news-related publishing is preferred.
• The editor must be able to devote sufficient time to magazine matters and may not accept editorial appointments to competing publications during their tenure as editor.

Selection process
All applications will be reviewed by an ad hoc selection committee whose recommendations will be made for review and approval by the AGA Institute Governing Board. Final approval is anticipated at March 2019.

To apply
To be considered for this position, applicants should provide the following:

1. A current curriculum vitae.
2. A complete conflict-of-interest and confidentiality statement.
3. A statement of your views on the primary mission for the magazine, as well as your assessment of the value of the magazine to AGA members.
4. Your vision for the magazine, including its content, organization, special features, multimedia components, promotion and policies.
5. Any other information you deem appropriate.

Direct questions and applications to:
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Deadline for receipt of applications is Feb. 7, 2019. All inquiries regarding this position are confidential.