



## **Editorial Board Role and Responsibilities**

Members of the *American Nurse Journal* Editorial Board are essential for the journal to be successful. They provide guidance on the direction and focus of the journal by contributing their knowledge and expertise. The board is designed to reflect diversity in roles, practice settings, and geographic areas.

## **Qualifications**

The following are requirements for serving on the editorial board:

- nurses on the board must be a member of the American Nurses Association
- must be recognized as an expert in a specific field
- willingness to meet board member responsibilities
- recommendation by existing board members, editorial staff, or professional colleagues.

## **Conflict of interest disclosure**

Conflict of interest disclosure ensures that journal readers have confidence in the integrity of editorial board members who demonstrate adherence to ethical standards and principles of credible publication. Therefore, board members and the Editor-in-Chief should be transparent about real or apparent competing interests, including other current board memberships. Request for disclosure occurs at the start of the term and annually; if changes occur during the year, members should notify the editor-in-chief and editorial director.

## **Member responsibilities**

Board members contribute to the journal in seven areas:

- Strategic direction
- Authorship
- Peer review
- Content expertise
- Ambassadorship
- Meeting participation
- Privacy and confidentiality

## **Participation and performance**

Participation in board activities and execution of responsibilities are voluntary, uncompensated professional endeavors that advance the profession of nursing. The seven areas of board member performance are reviewed annually by the editor-in-chief and editorial staff.