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**Associations Appoint New Editor-in-Chief of
*American Journal of Preventive Medicine***

Washington, DC – September 3, 2013 -The [American College of Preventive Medicine](#) (ACPM) and the [Association for Prevention Teaching and Research](#) (APTR) have announced the selection of Matthew L. Boulton, MD, MPH, FACPM, as the new editor-in-chief of the *American Journal of Preventive Medicine (AJPM)*, an international peer-reviewed medical journal published monthly by Elsevier, Inc. Dr. Boulton is Associate Professor of Epidemiology, Associate Professor of Health Management & Policy, and Associate Professor of Preventive Medicine at the University of Michigan (UM) School of Public Health, with a secondary appointment as Associate Professor of Internal Medicine in Infectious Diseases at the School of Medicine. He is also Director of the federally-funded Center of Excellence in Public Health Workforce Studies, Director of the Preventive Medicine Residency (PMR), and previously served 6 years as Associate Dean for Public Health Practice.

Dr. Boulton is an active researcher and has published extensively in the peer review public health and medical literature for many years. He is considered a leading national expert on the public health workforce and has research and programmatic expertise in infectious disease epidemiology and surveillance, vaccine-preventable diseases and immunization services, preventive medicine education, and public health in China and India. He currently serves on four editorial boards and is a peer reviewer for 15 other leading public health and medical journals, including *AJPM*. He also has served as the chief editor and/or primary author on a number of major technical reports for national public health professional groups, the U.S. CDC, HRSA, and RWJF, in addition to authoring a number of book chapters on the epidemiology and field control of infectious diseases. .

Dr. Boulton is a national leader in public health who brings more than editorial expertise to the position. He is a board-certified specialist in general preventive medicine and public health, a Fellow of ACPM, and an active member of APTR as well as recipient of the their Duncan Clark Award (2012) for lifetime achievement in preventive education and public health and the APTR F. Marian

Bishop Outstanding Educator of the Year Award. He has received numerous other national, state, and university honors including the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists Distinguished Partner of the Year, the Association of Schools of Public Health/Pfizer Faculty Award for Excellence in Academic Public Health Practice, and the University of Michigan School of Public Health John H. Romani Award for outstanding leadership in public health, all awarded in 2012. Dr. Boulton has many years' experience as a member of the national public health practice and preventive medicine community having worked 16 years in Michigan's state and local public health system, including serving as the governor's Chief Medical Executive and State Epidemiologist. In that role he was the lead physician at the state for public health, Medicaid, substance abuse, mental health, and services to the aging. He has been continuously engaged at a national level with the public health practice community, serving on a number of national advisory boards including the U.S. CDC's Board of Scientific Counselors for Infectious Diseases.

"We are very fortunate to find someone of Dr. Boulton's caliber to lead the journal in these exciting times for preventive medicine and public health," noted ACPM President and *AJPM* Board of Governors member Halley Faust, MD, MPH, FACPM. "He brings the full package—extensive public health leadership, national credibility and recognition, editorial expertise, and the vision and business acumen to navigate the journal through an era of health reform, relentless technological innovation, and evolving business and readership models." Stephen A. McCurdy, MD, MPH, APTR Board of Directors member and Chair of the *AJPM* Board of Governors, added "Dr. Boulton is a highly successful academician at the University of Michigan Schools of Public Health and Medicine and he brings a wealth of experience and accomplishment in preventive medicine, most notably as a practicing public health physician in the governmental sector. Dr. Boulton brings a vision of increased engagement and growth in the national and international arenas that is extremely exciting."

Dr. Boulton will assume full editorial responsibility for *AJPM* on January 1, 2014, replacing Kevin Patrick, MD, MS, FACPM. Dr. Patrick has served as the journal's chief editor for the past 18 years and taken the journal to new heights with regard to its impact, visibility, recognition, and growth as a scholarly medical and public health journal. "The *American Journal of Preventive Medicine* is one of the premier public health and preventive medicine journals in this country and it is an honor for me to serve as the next Editor-in-Chief," said Dr. Boulton. "My goal is to continue the tradition of outstanding journal stewardship, as has been provided by Dr. Patrick and his team, and orchestrate the next step in the journal's development with the assistance and advice of my colleagues on the *AJPM* Board of Governors, key partners at ACPM and APTR, and the members of our editorial team."

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About American College of Preventive Medicine

Founded in 1954, the American College of Preventive Medicine (ACPM) is the premier U.S.-based physician organization focused on practice, research, publication, and teaching of evidence-based [preventive medicine](#). As the umbrella society for the specialty of Preventive Medicine and physicians dedicated to prevention, ACPM seeks to improve the health of individuals and populations through evidence-based health promotion, disease prevention, and systems-based approaches to improving health and health care. For more information, visit www.acpm.org.

About Association for Prevention Teaching and Research

Established in 1942, the Association for Prevention Teaching and Research (APTR) is the professional organization for individuals and institutions that advance the education of physicians and other health professionals in prevention and population health. Members include faculty from preventive medicine and public health departments within medical schools and health professions institutions and the accredited and emerging graduate programs in public health. For more information, visit www.aptrweb.org

About *AJPM*

AJPM, published monthly by Elsevier, is the official journal of the American College of Preventive Medicine and the Association for Prevention Teaching and Research. The journal publishes cutting-edge articles in prevention research, teaching, practice and policy. Original research is published on interventions aimed at the prevention of chronic and acute disease and the promotion of individual and community health. Papers also address educational initiatives aimed at improving the ability of health professionals to provide effective clinical prevention and public health services. Papers on health services research pertinent to prevention and public health are also invited. *AJPM* annually receives approximately 1,300 unsolicited manuscripts, and regularly publishes theme issues or supplements to the Journal devoted to areas of current interest to the prevention community.