The John P. McGovern Award is named in honor of John P. McGovern and is presented to a member or nonmember of the American Medical Writers Association (AMWA) to recognize a preeminent contribution to any of the various modes of medical communication. The McGovern Award is presented during the annual AMWA Medical Writing & Communication Conference.

I am pleased to announce this year’s John P. McGovern Award recipient: Stacy L. Christiansen, MA. Ms Christiansen’s contribution to the field of medical communication is crystal clear to so many members of AMWA, as she is the managing editor of the *Journal of the American Medical Association* (JAMA) and chair of the *American Medical Association* (AMA) *Manual of Style* committee. In the words of her colleagues who nominated her, “Ms Christiansen’s numerous, important contributions to multiple modes of medical communication embody all that the John P. McGovern Award represents—leadership, excellence in medical writing and editing, and benevolent mentoring of editors, manuscript editors, authors, and writers.”

Ms Christiansen received a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts in English language and literature from Northern Illinois University. She has worked for *JAMA* since 1998 and has worked as the managing editor since 2013. Many AMWA members also know her through her active membership and engagement in the Council of Science Editors (CSE); Ms Christiansen serves as a faculty member for the CSE Short Course for Manuscript Editors. She has taught in the University of Chicago Medical Writing and Editing Program.

As Managing Editor of *JAMA*, Ms Christiansen regularly communicates with *JAMA* authors and representatives of international professional societies and agencies from around the world to provide advice about communicating research results and medical information and often resolves complicated editorial and policy issues with authors. Her colleagues cite her recent challenge of navigating more than 10,000 coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19)–related submissions to the journal, for which she subsequently led efficient and excellent editing and publication of more than 300 COVID-19–related articles to inform clinicians, policy makers, and the public.

The *AMA Manual of Style* was first published in 1962. As Chair of the *AMA Manual of Style* committee, Ms Christiansen was responsible for leading the major revision and publication of the 11th edition, published in 2020. She continues to guide the committee to address ongoing issues in medical writing and editing, as well as changes in usage that parallel the constantly changing ways we communicate. For example, during 2020, she led efforts to modify guidance for the reporting of race and ethnicity in medical publications and developed usage nomenclature for terms related to the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) and COVID-19.

The McGovern Award recipient is not required to be a member of AMWA. However, not only is Ms Christiansen an active member, but she has also presented at many conferences, written articles for *AMWA Journal*, and regularly connects with AMWA members on Twitter—as the resident tweeter for the *AMA Manual of Style*. On behalf of our entire organization, it is a joy to congratulate Ms Christiansen on this prestigious award!

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