Introducing two new deputy editors

With great enthusiasm, I introduce our two new deputy editors, and inform you of the career change of our exiting deputy editor, Dr. Tim Gilligan.

Tim, a practicing oncologist and program director of Cleveland Clinic’s hematology-oncology fellowship program, is transitioning from his work at the Journal to further pursue his interest in promoting physician communication skills. He is now co-director of the Clinic’s new Center for Excellence in Health Care Communication. Tim will refine and implement a coaching program for physicians in communication skills and will continue to conduct educational sessions for physicians on communication at institutions around the country. He will also continue his work with the American Society of Clinical Oncology as chair of their measures-of-quality subcommittee and as co-chair of the panel writing guidelines on the management of testicular cancer.

Joining us as deputy editors are Pelin Batur and Jim Pile—two superb clinician-educators who have divergent interests and experience, but who share a genuine passion for creating and delivering high-quality postgraduate and continuing medical education (CME) material and programs.

Pelin is a practicing general internist with additional fellowship training in women’s health. She is a North American Menopause Society-certified menopause practitioner and the Education Director for Primary Care Women’s Health at the Clinic, and she lectures nationally and internationally on women’s health issues. Jim is a practicing hospitalist and consultant in infectious disease at the Clinic. He is the former editor of The Hospitalist, he is current deputy editor of the Journal of Hospital Medicine, and he fulfills various education-focused roles at the Clinic and with the Society of Hospital Medicine.

In addition to our expectation that they will increase the Journal’s offerings within their clinical areas of interest, particularly hospital medicine and women’s health, they both will follow Tim’s lead in enhancing the depth and breadth of our CME activities, as well as expanding our online and digital presence. I am confident their efforts will enable us to even further improve the quality and utility of our practice- and evidence-based papers for you, our clinician readers.

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