PHN Associate Editor Job Advert

Introduction
Public Health Nutrition is an international peer-reviewed journal that publishes original papers, review articles and policy relevant papers related to nutrition and public health. The aim of the journal is to increase knowledge and understanding of the causes of diet related disease across the world and report on insights to improve nutritional quality, food security and health

The Role
Associate Editors are responsible for assessing the suitability of manuscripts assigned to you, including the technical and intellectual content, and for obtaining reviews in a timely manner. We aim to provide a rapid response to authors while maintaining the high standards of rigour and fairness that are characteristic of PHN.

We welcome applications from all individuals working in the field of public health nutrition, however in particular we are hoping to recruit individuals with the following expertise:

- Food environments and dietary behaviour (e.g. schools, supermarkets, food purchasing, food labelling)
- Food insecurity in LMIC and high income countries
- Nutritional epidemiology with experience of national and/or global datasets (such as global burden of disease)
- Evaluation of nutrition interventions, programmes and policies
- Nutrition communication such as social media and AI methods
- Systems thinking and mapping
- Nutrition transition
- Obesity
- Cardio-metabolic disease prevention
- Adolescent health
- HIV
- Child nutrition (including breastfeeding and complementary food)
- Non-communicable disease epidemiology
- Cancer epidemiology
- Children nutrition education
- Food technology
- Indigenous / Traditional eating
- Mixed methods studies

- Qualitative and quantitative research methodologies
- Economics: food prices, diet cost, sustainable and affordable diets, impacts of dietary interventions
- Pregnancy
- Dietary assessment methods among children
- Randomised clinical trials

The workload will vary from one month to the next, however we aim for Associate Editors to have no more than 5 current tasks at a time. We understand that Associate Editors have their own workload and other demands on their time so the number of manuscript assigned can be limited as needed, and we can hold off on assigning manuscripts during particularly busy times or when you are otherwise on leave.

You will be responsible for:

- ensuring that PHN maintains the highest quality while adhering to the publication policies and procedures.
- Initially evaluating whether submissions are of an appropriate quality for peer review.
- proposing referees by deploying the journal's online database, your own contacts, and those suggested by the author.
- providing a report and recommendation for the Deputy Editor (which may be brief or extensive, as appropriate) based on the referees' comments and your own perspective.
- Writing a full review when a manuscript has not been reviewed thoroughly. You may also be required write a full review if there is only one adequate Referee report, or there are no suitable Referee reports.
- promoting PHN at conferences and meetings, and through your networks.
- suggesting and reviewing special issues.
- attending the annual Editorial Board meetings.

Editorial support

All aspects of the review process are managed online through the ScholarOne Manuscripts system.

The Editorial Office at Cambridge University Press will provide you with a briefing document of our procedures and, of course, will be very happy to help you with any questions you might have about our processes. The normal tenure on the Board is three years and can be renewed annually thereafter by mutual agreement for up to a further three years.

All members of the Editorial Board receive free membership to the Nutrition Society. Membership includes free access to all of the journals, a 25% APC discount for publication in the Nutrition Society's gold Open Access journals (if you're not already covered by one of Cambridge University Press' Transformative Agreements) and discounts on the Nutrition Society's conferences and events.

Person requirements

- You should have extensive publications experience having been a corresponding / submitting author on at least 10 occasions.
- Have a track record of peer review.
- Have excellent communication skills and an ability to work effectively to tight timelines.

To apply for the role you can access the application form here: PHN Associate Editor application – Fill out form

Deadline: 30th November 2026