

### CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

# MEMBERS OF ASLI-NEWSLI EDITORIAL ADVISORY GROUP

ASLI seeks to establish an editorial advisory group to support the editor of the membership magazine, Newsli, in the production of 4 issues per year, and Jemina Napier has volunteered to help set up and coordinate the group in the first instance.

# Role of editorial advisory group:

- Liaise with the Newsli editor to prepare new issues of the magazine by:
  - o occasionally reviewing articles submitted to Newsli for consideration
  - identifying potential contributors to Newsli
  - o identifying 'hot topics' in the sign language interpreting profession and in sign language interpreting research studies for themed issues
  - o collaborating with the ASLI Equality & Diversity group to ensure that topics featured in Newsli cover a diverse range of topics

# Role of editorial advisory group coordinator:

- Work with ASLI board to recruit advisory group members
- Liaise with ASLI Chair of the board and Newsli editor to sign off on each NEWSLI issue
- Coordinate discussions among editorial advisory group members

# Workload expectations

- Approximately 2 hours per month
- Editor will send a spreadsheet every 6 weeks detailing submissions and forward plans for Newsli issues for advisory group members to review and comment on
- Editor will email advisory group members occasionally seek support with specific contributions
- Two meetings per calendar year to review Newsli past issues and advise editor on future plans

### **CPD** allocation

As agreed with NRCPD, editorial advisory group members will be eligible to claim CPD points as follows:

*Unstructured - one point per hour* (with the following evidence):

- Copy of submissions discussed (can redact personal details if necessary)
- Emails between board/editor regarding discussions (can redact personal details if necessary)
- Any evidence of discussions regarding Newsli/Submissions

Structured - one point per hour (with the following evidence):

• Formal meetings with an agenda

# Eligibility for editorial advisory group

Advisory group members must meet the following criteria:

### Essential:

- Practising BSL/English interpreter or translator
- ASLI member
- Excellent communication skills
- Ability to adhere to deadlines

# Desirable:

- Knowledge of research literature in interpreting studies and deaf studies
- Knowledge of editing principles and guidelines
- Experience of writing for Newsli or other publications
- Experience of reviewing journal articles

# Make-up of editorial advisory group

- 5 members from a combined representation of the BSL/English interpreting profession, depending on who expresses interest, to include:
  - 1. Coordinator academic or practisearcher (practitioner-researcher)
  - 2. At least one practisearcher
  - 3. At least one experienced, qualified RSLI practitioner
  - 4. One trainee or student interpreter
  - 5. At least one interpreter of colour
  - 6. At least one deaf interpreter/translator
  - 7. Gender balance
  - 8. Balanced representation from other diverse groups

# **Application process**

Expressions of interest are sought from any ASLI member. Applications can be sent by email to: board@asli.org.uk with the subject header *Editorial Advisory Group* and should include a letter that addresses the essential and desirable criteria, how you fit the proposed make-up of the group, provides a statement (max. 200 words) on why you would be interested in joining the editorial advisory group, and what you would contribute to the position.

**Deadline for applications**: 22 September 2020

# Selection process

A panel including the Chair of the ASLI board, the Newsli editor, the Coordinator of the editorial advisory group and two representatives from the ASLI Equality & Diversity group will review expressions of interest and select candidates for appointment for a 2-year term.

New members of the editorial advisory group will be announced at the ASLI AGM on 11 October 2020.