

### Guidelines for WebmedCentral *plus* Specialty Editor in Chief

1. **WebmedCentral *plus*** will appoint one or two “Specialty Editor in Chief” for each specialty. The Specialty Editor in Chief will be overall in charge of their specialty on plus. They would usually be scientists of considerable repute who have published over 50 articles in good journals and been invited to speak at national and international conferences.
2. The Specialty Editor in Chief will ensure that their specialty has the required number of specialty editors (who are over all in charge of peer review process for individual article) and editorial board members (who review articles on request of specialty editors). They will have complete independence in deciding who sits on their editorial teams.
3. They will be able to ask *plus* support team to appoint any suitable person to the role of specialty editors or editorial board members within their specialty.
4. They will also be able to invite any “suitable” scientist for the role of specialty editor/editorial board member for their specialty from their admin panel.
5. **It is their prime responsibility that their specialty has the desired number of specialty editors (usually at least 4) and editorial board members (usually at least 10) with a range of expertise.**
6. Special Editor in Chief will have the final responsibility for coordinating the efforts of specialty editors and editorial board members within their specialty and will be the final arbiter for any disputes or difference of opinion arising within their specialty teams.
7. They will be able to steer the agenda and direction of their specialty on plus by inviting submission on special topics.
8. All editorial positions on WebmedCentral *plus* are honorary.
9. All appointments are subject to annual review and will be continued subject to satisfactory performance solely on the discretion of Webmed management.

Yours sincerely,

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