SAMJ gets new Editor-in-Chief

With their retirement from their present roles in the SAMJ, Professors Dan Ncayiyana (Editor-in-Chief for 20 years) and JP van Niekerk (Managing Editor for 11 years) are pleased to announce that Professor Janet Seggie has been appointed as Editor-in-Chief of the SAMJ.

Professor Seggie has had a distinguished medical career. She graduated MB ChB (Birm) from the University of Rhodesia, doing an intercalated BSc (Hons) degree at the University of Birmingham. Further qualifications include FRCP (Lond), FCP (SA) and MD (Birm). Following specialist training in the UK she was a lecturer in the Department of Medicine, University of Rhodesia, senior lecturer at the University of the Witwatersrand and since 1989 at the University of Cape Town (UCT), where she was appointed Ad Hominem Professor.

She has had many leadership roles in clinical medicine, UCT Faculty of Health Sciences, Colleges of Medicine, etc., where her sound judgement, ability to work with others and to mentor younger colleagues have been appreciated. She has received many awards in recognition of her contributions and is the President-elect of the Cape Western Branch of the South African Medical Association (SAMA).

Janet's research publications reflect her interests in general medicine and nephrology and more recently medical education. She has contributed several guest editorials in the SAMJ and most recently was the editor of the large UCT Centenary issue. She has been an active member of the editors' advisory group that reviews each submission to the SAMJ.

With a wealth of appropriate qualifications, experience and personal characteristics, Janet will no doubt readily transfer her skills to her new role. We wish her everything of the very best and will continue to be available to ensure a smooth transition.

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