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ACRM | American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine Announces Co-Editors-in-Chief of Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

Reston, Va. - The ACRM | American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine announces that effective January 1, 2013, Leighton Chan, MD, MPH, and Allen W. Heinemann, PhD, ABPP, were appointed Co-Editors-in-Chief of its journal, the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

Chan is Chief of the Rehabilitation Medicine Department of the National Institutes of Health Clinical Center, and Heinemann is Professor of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation at the Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University; Director of the Center for Rehabilitation Outcomes Research; and Associate Director of Research at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago. Heinemann is also affiliated with the Center for Healthcare Studies and the Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center at Northwestern.

Chan and Heinemann succeed Dr. Jeffrey Basford, MD, PhD, whose tenure as Editor-in-Chief of Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation ended on December 31, 2012, having served six years in the position. Chan and Heinemann have been active as reviewers and Editorial Board members of a number of other peer-reviewed publications, and have served as Deputy Editors to Basford since 2006 and 2009, respectively.

"We are delighted to welcome Leighton Chan and Allen Heinemann as Co-Editors-in-Chief of Archives" said ACRM President Tamara Bushnik, Director of Research at Rusk Institute for Rehabilitation. "Their professional accomplishments in rehabilitation medicine are outstanding. Dr. Chan and Dr. Heinemann have already demonstrated their long-term commitment to the advancement of the journal under the auspicious leadership of Dr. Jeffrey Basford, and I believe their vision for the future will only strengthen the reputation of Archives as the leading peer-reviewed publication in interdisciplinary rehabilitation medicine."

"It is with great honor that we take the reins of the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, and we are blessed with the fact that, under the direction of our predecessor, Dr. Jeffrey Basford, the Archives has thrived." stated Chan. Heinemann added, "This is a sacred trust that we intend to pursue with a keen appreciation of developments in scientific knowledge, clinical practice and health policy, economic stewardship, and careful diligence in promoting the highest level of editorial integrity."

Chan earned his bachelor's degree in political science from Dartmouth College before graduating from the UCLA School of Medicine. He then pursued postgraduate training in physical medicine and rehabilitation at the University of Washington, during which he also obtained a Master of Science degree in rehabilitation science. Chan subsequently completed a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar Fellowship, earned a Master of Public Health degree at the University of Washington School of Public Health and was a Congressional Fellow for the Honorable Jim McDermott (Washington). He is board certified in physical medicine and rehabilitation.

Chan's awards include the Young Academician Award from the Association of Academic Physiatrists; two outstanding teacher awards from the University of Washington School of Medicine and a Presidential Citation Award for excellence in research by the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation. In addition, since joining the National Institute of Health (NIH) in 2007, he has received the NIH Clinical Center Director's and the NIH Director's awards for his work in traumatic brain injury. In 2007, he was elected to the Institute of Medicine.

Heinemann earned a bachelor's degree psychology from Washington State University, before pursuing a master's degree and Ph.D., in clinical psychology with a rehabilitation specialty at the University of Kansas. In addition, he completed an internship in psychology at Baylor College of Medicine.

Heinemann's recent honors and awards include the Harold Yuker Award for Research Excellence and the Roger Barker Distinguished Career Award presented by Division 22 (Rehabilitation Psychology), American Psychological Association. He serves as a member of the Committee of Medical Experts to Assist Social Security on Disability Issues, Institute of Medicine and as a member of the Board of Scientific Counselors, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. He served as President of Division 22 (Rehabilitation Psychology) of the American Psychological Association in 2004-2005.

Chan and Heinemann are both long-standing members of the ACRM. Heinemann became a Fellow of ACRM in 2005, was awarded the Distinguished Member Award in 2006, and is a Past President of ACRM (2004-2005).

Chan's primary research interests include health services research; quality of care given to Medicare beneficiaries and Medicare payment policy issues. He has published more than 78 peer-reviewed articles and numerous book chapters.

Heinemann's research interests include health services research in rehabilitation; substance abuse and traumatic injury; adjustment and coping processes following disability, injury and illness; neuropsychology and utilization of behavioral methods in rehabilitation. Heinemann has authored more than 200 peer-reviewed articles.

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About the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

The Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation advances the art and science of interdisciplinary rehabilitation, and is the premier source for researchers and clinicians to obtain authoritative information on the therapeutic utilization of physical, behavioral, and pharmaceutical agents in providing comprehensive care for individuals with chronic illness and disabilities. The journal publishes original, peer-reviewed articles that report on important trends

and developments in physical medicine and rehabilitation and are relevant to all members of medical rehabilitation teams, including physicians, nurses, counselors, therapists and case managers. Archives began publication in 1920; it publishes monthly, and is the official journal of the American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine. Archives is the most highly cited journal in Rehabilitation, has the highest Eigenfactor in the category, and has an Impact Factor that has increased eight of the past nine years. (2011 Journal Citation Reports®, Thomson Reuters). In 2009, the Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation was identified by the Special Libraries Association as one of the 100 most influential journals of Biology & Medicine over the last 100 years. www.archives-pmr.org

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