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Responsibilities of the editor-in-chief include the arrangement of peer review for submitted articles, deciding which reviewed articles can be published, commissioning of editorials, book reviews, debates and other articles from time to time, timely communication with authors and other correspondents and reporting regularly to IPA's Executive Committee and Board of Directors on the status, direction and development of the journal. To assist himself or herself in the editorial duties, the editor will appoint at least two deputy editors, up to 40 associate editors, a book review editor and a statistical consultant to the journal's editorial panel and will be supported on that panel by eight former editors of the journal. In consultation with these colleagues the editor will be expected to set goals and policy directions for the journal and to improve and enhance its relevance, reputation and importance within the academic discipline of psychogeriatrics/old age psychiatry. The position is unpaid, but expenses for occasional essential travel may be available. The position will be supported by an editorial assistant whose exact hours and location of work will be determined in consultation with CUP and IPA. During the course of the initial four-year appointment, it is expected that the journal will increase its publication frequency to 12 issues annually. In addition, an average of one to two supplements to the Journal are published each year. The time commitment is approximately 40–60 hours per issue.

The successful applicant will have considerable experience in the academic discipline of psychogeriatrics/old age psychiatry, will have published widely in academic journals and will have some experience of editing or assisting with the editing of an academic journal (e.g. at the level of at least associate editor) or newsletter. The successful applicant will be, or will be willing to become, a member of IPA.

A decision on the appointment of a suitable applicant will be made by an IPA BOD subcommittee comprising David Ames (Editor-in-Chief), Michael Davidson (Chair IPA Publications Committee), Masatoshi Takeda (IPA President-Elect), and Susan Oster (IPA Executive Director and Executive Editor of *International Psychogeriatrics*) and this recommendation will require confirmation by the full IPA Board of Directors.

All interested candidates should apply electronically by submitting the following by **15 May 2009** to [journal@ipa-online.org](mailto:journal@ipa-online.org):

- **Short version of Curriculum Vitae (CV)** – no longer than two double-spaced typed pages in length
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4-7 May 2009

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

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1-5 September 2009

Montréal, Canada

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American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry  
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- education and meetings reflecting the many disciplines in Psychogeriatrics and the collective expertise of the world;
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