

# LIVING LEGEND: A TRIBUTE TO DR. ANNE MANTON



**D**r. Manton served as the Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Emergency Nursing* (JEN) for five years until her recent retirement at the close of 2018. While serving in this role she led the journal, the JEN editorial board, and the JEN editors with dedication, grace, and veracity. It is difficult to find the words to adequately convey the scope and breadth of Dr. Manton's accomplishments and impact on JEN, on the Emergency Nurses Association (ENA), and on her colleagues. The members of the JEN editorial board and the JEN editors share the following thoughts about Dr. Manton with deep gratitude for her service and leadership.

Dr. Manton consistently demonstrated exceptional leadership for the JEN editors, authors, reviewers, and editorial board. In her Editor-in-Chief role, she mentored four new associate editors in five years and sponsored at least two successful Fellow nominations for the Academy of Emergency Nursing. Dr. Manton worked collaboratively with the JEN Editorial Board to develop a strategic plan for the journal that allows us to meet the needs of our members and ensure that JEN is a robust and scholarly journal. She led our team in designing a new journal cover, revising the author guidelines, evaluating standards for research articles, and analyzing the peer review process. Dr. Manton developed a strong group of associate and section editors by providing ongoing education and direction.

Dr. Manton is an archetype of a positive, altruistic mentor. In addition to setting clear expectations and resources for strategic and manuscript management, her growth-mindset leadership has been a joy to follow. In dealing with challenges and mistakes, Dr. Manton is honest, diplomatic, objective, fair, approachable, and a trustworthy sponsor who exudes genuine warmth and compassion. She communicates with integrity and acts as an ambassador for the profession, specialty, journal, and her mentees.

Dr. Manton is a truly extraordinary nurse, leader, teacher, and editor. It is impossible to share everything she has accomplished in her lifetime in a single essay. She has received numerous awards and accolades for her decades of contributions in emergency and mental health nursing, including being inducted as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing and Academy of Emergency Nursing. In 2015, she was recognized as a living legend by the American Nurses Association. Dr. Manton received the ENA lifetime achievement award for her service in emergency nursing, which includes her ENA presidency in 1998 and numerous other appointments.

The JEN editorial board and editors send our love, respect, and well wishes to Dr. Manton as she retires from the Editor-in-Chief position. It has been a privilege and honor to work beside a living legend. Thank you, Dr. Manton, for your tremendous contributions to the journal and to the nursing profession.

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