

Four Short Courses To Precede Annual Meeting

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The ever-popular CSE short courses will again be presented this year, preceding the opening of the annual meeting. These are intense 1- or 2-day courses for people who have recently taken on a new position or new responsibility or people who have served in a position for some time and want to find out what others in similar positions are doing. Each course includes time for discussion, and each person who attends receives a course notebook of supplementary materials.

The Short Course for Journal Editors, to be presented on 2-3 May, is being organized by Robert D Utiger, editor, *Clinical Thyroidology*. It will cover such topics as the roles and responsibilities of editors and

authors; establishing a peer-review process and nurturing reviewers; ethical obligations of editors, reviewers, and authors; and electronic publication.

The Short Course for Managing Editors, to be given on 3 May, is being organized by Cheryl Iverson, managing editor, *Archives Journals*, American Medical Association. Cheryl and her faculty will focus on the managing editor's role as liaison (with authors, reviewers, editors, editorial boards, and the publisher) and electronic issues, particularly those surrounding online submission and online peer review (to do or not to do, choices, pros and cons, achieving buy-in from all involved, effects on workflow, job descriptions, and staffing).

The Short Course for Manuscript Editors, scheduled for 3 May, is being

organized by Margaret Perkins, chief manuscript editor, Medical Journals Group, University of Chicago Press. This course is being completely updated for 2003 with a new organizer and new presentations; more news will appear in an upcoming issue of *Science Editor*.

The Short Course on Electronic Publishing Solutions, to be presented on 3 May, is being organized by Nancy Wachter, senior managing editor, Lippincott Williams & Wilkins. It will include information on such topics as digital art, information architecture, content management systems, the logistics and cost of Web publishing, XML, and copyright.

For further information, please keep watching these pages and the CSE Web site (www.councilscienceeditors.org).