



Elizabeth “Beth” Stormshak, Ph.D., Named New Editor-In-Chief of Prevention Science



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The Society for Prevention Research (SPR) is delighted to announce the appointment of Elizabeth (“Beth”) Stormshak, Ph.D., as the next Editor-in-Chief of *Prevention Science*, the official journal of SPR. Dr. Stormshak will begin as Editor-elect on July 1, 2026, and will assume full editorial responsibility for new submissions beginning January 1, 2027.

Dr. Stormshak is the Philip H. Knight Chair and Professor in the College of Education at the University of Oregon, where she is also a core faculty member of the Prevention Science Institute. She is a nationally recognized prevention scientist whose research focuses on the development, implementation, and evaluation of family-centered and school-based interventions designed to prevent behavioral health problems among children and adolescents. Her work has made significant contributions to strengthening family engagement, promoting positive youth development, and improving long-term health and educational outcomes.

“SPR sought a prevention scientist with an outstanding record of scholarship, strong leadership experience, and a clear vision for advancing the field of prevention science,” said SPR President, Dr. Phillip Graham. “We are fortunate that Dr. Stormshak has agreed to serve in this important role. She brings a level of expertise, foresight, and engagement to guide *Prevention Science* through a period of significant opportunity and change for the field.”



Phillip W. Graham, DrPh

Over the course of her career, Dr. Stormshak has authored an extensive body of peer-reviewed publications and led numerous federally funded research projects focused on prevention across diverse populations and community settings. She has been an active member of the prevention science community and has contributed to the field through her service on the *Prevention Science* Editorial Board, mentorship of emerging scholars, and commitment to interdisciplinary collaboration.

Reflecting on her appointment, Dr. Stormshak shared: “I am excited about this role and look forward to working closely with all my colleagues in the field of prevention science to continue the excellence of the *Prevention Science* journal.”

Dr. Stormshak's vision emphasizes maintaining the journal's scientific rigor and impact while expanding its reach across disciplines such as public health, social work, nursing, and medicine. She also highlights the importance of fostering international collaboration, supporting methodological innovation, and continuing the journal's leadership in advancing equity and inclusion in prevention research.



Catherine P. Bradshaw,
PhD, MEd

Dr. Stormshak will succeed Catherine P. Bradshaw, Ph.D., M.Ed., who has served as Editor-in-Chief with distinction since 2014. Under Dr. Bradshaw's leadership, *Prevention Science* has continued to grow in visibility, impact, and influence, further solidifying its role as a premier journal in the field. SPR extends its deep appreciation for her exceptional service and enduring contributions to the journal and the broader prevention science community. Dr. Bradshaw has made particular contributions to the journal related to the launch of the ECPN early-career reviewer program, the formation of the Health Equity Associate Editor role, and a number of special issues on various topics, including implementation science, AI, and integrative data analysis.

The Society for Prevention Research looks forward to working with Dr. Stormshak, the editorial leadership team, and the broader prevention science community to advance high-quality, impactful scholarship that informs policy, practice, and population health.

Members of the prevention science community are invited to join SPR in welcoming Dr. Stormshak and supporting the continued growth and leadership of *Prevention Science*.

The *Prevention Science* journal, eight issues published each year, is the official journal of the Society for Prevention Research. Additional information on SPR and the journal is available at www.preventionresearch.org, by emailing journal@preventionresearch.org, or by calling Jennifer Lewis, Executive Director, at 703-934-4850.

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