

Invitation From the President

Dear Colleague,



It is time again for the TRS Annual Meeting! Please join with your colleagues from all across our great state for the 97th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Texas Radiological Society. An exceptional program is planned for Friday – Sunday, March 26-28, 2010, at the beautiful Woodlands Waterway Marriott Hotel, which is located just north of Houston. The TRS annual meeting is widely regarded as the preeminent radiological educational forum in Texas, and the upcoming meeting will be no exception. We hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to get general and specialty radiology continuing education during a relaxing weekend in a spectacular venue with fun social events.

The TRS meeting is not limited to TRS members. Non-members are welcome to join us for this important clinical update and to learn about the benefits of membership at the same time. Members, we encourage you to share information about this high-quality, robust scientific meeting with your colleagues.

In addition to earning CME, Category I and MEP credits (if you are a physicist), you will enjoy the opportunity to:

- Gain insight into recent medical advances in radiology
- Discuss national issues affecting the practice of radiology
- Be updated on current legislative initiatives of the TRS PAC and ACR
- Bring your family and enjoy the exciting Woodlands area

A special session will be held for residents again this year with a lecture by Carol Rumack, MD, as well as a fun and interactive Medical Jeopardy competition between radiology residency programs. A separate session is also planned for Radiation Oncologists and Medical Physicists.

Registration for the TRS meeting is inexpensive and easy. Simply complete the enclosed registration form and return it by March 12, 2010 for the early registration price, or better yet, apply via the easy online application process.

I hope you will not pass up this opportunity to update your medical knowledge and techniques, meet with long time friends and colleagues, and get a change from your regular schedule for a few days. I look forward to seeing you in The Woodlands in March, 2010.

Sincerely,

Richard Strax, MD, FACR
President, Texas Radiological Society

Continuing Medical Education

Accreditation

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of Scott & White and the Texas Radiological Society. Scott & White is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Physicians

Diagnostic Radiology Program: Scott & White designates this educational activity for a maximum of **20.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Radiation Oncology Program: Scott & White designates this educational activity for a maximum of **14.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Ethics: The following presentation has been designated for ethics and/or professional responsibility training: Fred Mettler, MD: CT Scanning: *The Risk-Benefit Controversy*

Self Assessment Module (SAM) Credit: Courses identified as "SAMS CREDIT" on the programs have been qualified by the American Board of Radiology in meeting the criteria for self-assessment toward the purpose of fulfilling requirements in the ABR Maintenance of Certification Program.

Physicists: Application has been made to The Commission on Accreditation of Medical Physics Education Programs, Inc. (CAMPEP) for up to 11.25 Medical Education for Physicists (MEPs) credits hours for the Radiation Oncology Program, up to 17 MEPS credit hours for the Diagnostic Radiology Program, and up to 3 MEPS for the Physics Program.

Educational Objectives

At the conclusion of this program, **Diagnostic Radiology** program attendees will be able to:

- ▶ Discuss a multispecialty approach to the diagnosis and treatment of lung cancer
- ▶ Describe discussion techniques in sharing good and bad news with mammo patients
- ▶ Discuss the indications for breast specific gamma imaging
- ▶ Discuss radiation safety considerations when imaging pediatric patients
- ▶ Describe optimal imaging protocols for MRI imaging of the heart and brain
- ▶ Review new techniques for imaging nodal disease and CT colonography
- ▶ Review salient imaging features of the brain and cervical spine after trauma
- ▶ Review dosages related to access exposure of radiation for patients
- ▶ Describe clinical features of patients exposed to nuclear disasters

At the conclusion of this program, **all program attendees attending joint sessions** will be able to:

- ▶ Discuss the impact of healthcare reform on radiology
- ▶ Discuss the AMA's position on healthcare reform
- ▶ Describe the Texas influence in the history of non-vascular interventional radiology
- ▶ Review ethical considerations related to clinical appropriateness criteria for imaging

At the conclusion of this program, **Radiation Oncology** program attendees will be able to:

- ▶ Discuss a multispecialty approach to the diagnosis and treatment of lung cancer
- ▶ Review current management of esophageal cancer, pancreatic and endometrial cancer
- ▶ Discuss current areas of research in spinal cord tolerance to radiation in stereotactic body radiotherapy situations.

At the conclusion of this program, **Medical Physics** program attendees will be able to:

- ▶ Compare the presenter's prostate localization systems for radiotherapy, review the clinical applications and limitations of IGRT, and compare the presenter's Stereotactic Radiosurgery systems.
- ▶ Review the role of medical physicists in a national radiation service model, review the current benefits and challenges of proton therapy, and review principles and applications of tomographic and tomosynthesis imaging.

Target Audience & Program Structure

The primary target audience of the program consists of Diagnostic Radiologists, Radiation Oncologists and Medical Physicists. The educational program will be executed in a classroom style format, with didactic lectures supplemented with audiovisual presentations, case presentations with interactive audience response technology and question and answer discussions.