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YOU ARE NOT THERE!

American College of Radiology (ACR)

- Founded: 1923
- Membership: 34,000
- Non-profit professional organization
- Specialties: radiologists, radiation oncologists, medical physicists, nuclear medicine physicians, interventional radiologists
- Publication: J of the ACR
- Annual meeting
ACR Mission

• Serve patients & society by maximizing the value of the specialties through advancing the science of radiology,
• Improving the quality of patient care
• Positively influencing the socioeconomics of radiology,
• Providing CME, &
• Conducting research for the future of radiology.
ACR: 5 Organizational Pillars

- Advocacy
- Clinical Research
- Economics
- Education
- Quality and Safety
ACR: Structure

• Board of Chancellors
• Commissions & Committees: Operational, Special, and Standing committees
  – Specialty Commission: Nuclear Medicine
  – Chair: E Oates, MD
    • This is where YOU can get involved!
ACR NM Commission Goals

1. Enhance communication of ACR activities with the NM community
2. Develop/maintain NM expertise & support for ACR activities
3. Increase NM membership & participation
4. Incorporate the functions of the Commission on Molecular Imaging
ACR NM Committees

- Economics: G Dillehay
- Education: E Rohren
- Government Relations: D Eggli
- Guidelines and Standards: J Harolds, D Metter
- Molecular Imaging: K Li
How the ACR Works

• Structured like government:
  – **Legislative** branch: sets policy
  – **Executive** branch: puts policy into action
    • Board of Chancellors
  – **Representation**: Councilors*  
    • State chapters
    • Specialty organizations (i.e., SNM, military)
    • Annual Meeting and Chapter Leadership Conference (AMCLC): Council sets policy

* Here is where YOU can get involved
ACR Councilor

- 1 councilor/alternate councilor per 100 ACR members
- Help est ACR policies & practice standards
- 301 members (2011)
- States, specialty/subspecialty org, military, federal agencies
ACR Resident & Fellow Section (RFS)

• Website: rfs.acr.org
• Facebook, Twitter
• Multiple resident/fellow resources
• Highly interactive
• Elected officers
• CSC member
American Roentgen Ray Society (ARRS)

- Founded: 1900 – 1\textsuperscript{st} & oldest US radiology society
- Membership: > 20,000
  - Associate: non-radiologist physicians, allied health professionals
  - In-Training & International
- Publication: Am J of Roentgenology
  - circulation: > 25,000
ARRS Mission

• Advance medicine through the science of radiology & its allied sciences
• Enable creation & exchange of knowledge & information in the field through the AJR, meetings & other means.
ARRS Annual Meeting

- Instructional courses
- Scientific paper & exhibit presentations
- Forum
- Special categorical course
- Commercial exhibits
- CME and SAM
- Discounted registration fee for members
Major focus: Education
PQI Connect

Mission Statement for PQI Section of ARRS Web Site

The ARRS established this dedicated section of its Web site to provide Society members and other members of the extended radiology profession an inclusive repository for practical information and links to relevant information pertaining to the development of quality assurance programs and reporting mechanisms in radiology, as well as insightful opinions and commentary from leading ARRS members and industry experts.

What is PQI?

Practice quality improvement (PQI) is known by a host of terms currently used to describe a process by which radiologists, their practices, or their facilities, deliver and document the quality of care they provide to their patients. Other terms you may recognize include “continuous quality improvement,” “total quality management,” and “quality assurance,” each referring to the same fundamental concept and process.

PQI, in effect, is the American Board of Radiology’s program for Part IV of its Maintenance of Certification process. Although no formal definition of PQI has been offered, with each organization or governmental body seemingly offering their own interpretation, the certainty is that the definitive goal is to ensure that radiologists are providing quality patient care in an efficient, fiscally responsible manner. PQI, ultimately, can (and likely will) include a variety of quantifiable factors such as patient satisfaction, call-back and error rates, utilization, education continuity, and pay-for-performance - all of which likely will influence the day-to-day methods of you and your practice.
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Employers:
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Association of University Radiologists (AUR)

- Founded: 1953
- Membership: > 3,000
- Publication: Academic Radiology
- Multiple alliances
- Annual meeting
AUR Mission

• Advancing the interests of academic radiology*
• Enhancing careers in radiology
• Advancing radiological sciences, research and education

• Only meeting to focus on academic responsibilities, expectations & advancement for physicians & residency staff
AUR Alliances

• SCARD: academic chairs
• APDR: program directors
• A3CR2: chief residents
• ASER: clinician educators
• AMSER: medical student educators in radiology
• RAHSR: health services research
• RRA: radiology research alliance
• SNM: you
• APCR: program coordinators
AUR Annual Meeting

4 day meeting: educational CME programs, scientific oral & poster presentations, awards, sharing of academic material for residencies

Multi-tract sessions supported by the alliances (i.e., SNM Academic Council)

NMPDA meeting

Networking
Radiological Society of North America (RSNA)

- Founded: 1916
- Membership: > 48,000
  - US & international members
  - radiologists, radiation oncologists, medical physicists, nuclear medicine physicians, radiologic scientists
- Publication: Radiology
- Annual Meeting
RSNA Mission

• Promote & develop the highest standards of radiology and related sciences through education & research.

• Seeks to foster closer relationships among radiologists & other branches of medicine and allied healthcare professionals.
2011-2016 Strategic Plan

• **Vision**: Aspire to be the premier association dedicated to patient care through science & education in radiology.

• **Mission**: Promote excellence in patient care & health delivery through education, research & technological innovation.
RSNA Annual Meeting

- Weekend/week after Thanksgiving/ 7 days
- Chicago, McCormick Center
- Attendees: ~ 55- 60,000
  - 1/3 international attendees
- Multiple scientific CME sessions & tracts, MOC exams, oral & poster exhibits, > 700 vendors, annual orations
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BE at the table NOT on the menu!
Thank you for your attention.

Questions?