



The New England Roentgen Ray Society

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Dear Colleague,

I am honored to serve as your president and present to you the 92nd annual scientific program of the New England Roentgen Ray Society (NERRS). The founders of the NERRS first met in 1914 and formally organized after World War I, making NERRS one of the oldest regional radiological societies in the United States. As we approach the 100-year mark, our goals remain unchanged. The NERRS continues to provide educational opportunities for radiologists throughout New England and to enhance professional relationships between our members.

I am indebted to our Education Committee co-chairs, Michael Beland, Michael Gee, and Raul Uppot, who have prepared six outstanding Friday programs on Chest Radiology, Musculoskeletal Radiology, Emergency Radiology, Pediatric Radiology, Neuroradiology, and Abdominal Radiology. New this year is a common theme of radiation dose education, which underlies the entire series of Friday programs. All speakers have been asked to include pertinent radiation dose information in their lectures. To underscore this theme our Holmes Lecture will be presented by Dr. James Brink, who will speak on the efforts of the Image Wisely campaign. For the Pediatric Radiology program, Dr. Donald Frush will deliver the *Edward Webster Lecture* on "Minimizing Radiation Utilization for Effective Pediatric Imaging."

We will offer two Saturday refresher courses at the Massachusetts Medical Society headquarters this year: the biannual Breast Imaging course will be directed by Priscilla J. Slanetz, and our Body MRI refresher course will return this year to be directed by Ali Guermazi and Mukesh Harisinghani.

The society is indebted to the leadership of its executive committee and particularly to its recent past presidents: Stuart Silverman, Pamela Schaefer, and Phil Boisselle. I want to thank Secretary Edward Lee and President-Elect Bettina Siewert for their continued support. I welcome to the leadership circle Treasurer Alexander Guimaraes and Vice President Priscilla J. Slanetz, whose talents will enrich our society. I also welcome Peter Evangelista, our new IT co-chair. Under the stewardship of the executive committee, Peter will work on modernizing the NERRS website design and functionality. Finally, I want to recognize our Administrative Secretary Ginny DuLong for her consistent and outstanding service to our society.

Please join me for another year of education and camaraderie in the New England Roentgen Ray Society. I look forward to seeing you at our meetings and thank you for your participation and continued support of the New England Roentgen Ray Society.

Sincerely,

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President, New England Roentgen Ray Society

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