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Barbara C. Cavanaugh, M.D., Travels to Mexico through International Education Program

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (July 15, 2011) — Radiologist Barbara C. Cavanaugh, M.D., from Thomas Jefferson University Hospital (TJUH), will bring her medical expertise to Mexico as part of the International Visiting Professor Program offered by the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA). The program fosters international relations among radiology societies to assist with medical education in developing and newly developed nations.

Dr. Cavanaugh, director, division of breast imaging at TJUH, will be joined by a fellow radiologist as she embarks July 19 on the 11-day trip. She will spend her visit giving presentations and teaching intensive seminars to members of hospital radiology departments in Mexico.

The program is mutually beneficial. The visiting team of radiologists informs local doctors and hospitals about the latest advances in diagnostic and therapeutic radiology. In turn, the visiting professors experience firsthand the obstacles faced by medical professionals in the host countries.

"Breast cancer is increasing globally, with the associated increasing need for breast imaging expertise worldwide," Dr. Cavanaugh said. "I am honored to have the opportunity to share my breast imaging expertise with my colleagues in Puebla, Mexico, as a participant in the RSNA's International Visiting Professor Program. During my time with the radiologists and residents at the hospital, I also look forward to expanding my own knowledge and experience as a physician and breast imaging specialist."

Dr. Cavanaugh will be accompanied by Jonathan M. Rubin, M.D., Ph.D., from the University of Michigan Medical Center in Ann Arbor.

Dr. Cavanaugh will participate in the Federacion Mexicana de Radiologia e Imagen's 30th International Ultrasound Meeting in Puerto Vallarta. Her trip will conclude in Puebla, where she will visit Unidad Médica de Alta Especialidad Hospital de Especialidades.

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