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RSNA Press Release

Stephen Zivin, M.D., Travels to Argentina through International Education Program

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (September 9, 2014) — Radiologist Stephen Zivin, M.D., from Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights, Illinois, will bring his medical expertise to Argentina 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. Zivin, radiologist and clinical director of CT, will be joined by two fellow radiologists as he embarks September 12 on the eight-day trip. He will spend his visit giving presentations and teaching intensive seminars to radiology residents, as well as attending conferences and meetings.

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.

"The RSNA Visiting Professor Program is an opportunity to share knowledge and ideas with my radiology colleagues in Argentina," Dr. Zivin said. "I am given the opportunity to teach advanced imaging techniques to practicing radiologists and residents in Buenos Aires. At the same time, I develop a better understanding of how radiology is practiced in a different environment with different patients and challenges."

Dr. Zivin will spend his trip in Buenos Aires, Argentina, visiting Hospital Británico de Buenos Aires and Hospital Argerich. He will conclude his trip lecturing at the Argentine Congress of Radiology.

Dr. Zivin, who is also a co-founder of Imaging4Change, will be accompanied by Mahesh Shetty, M.D., from Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas, and Suresh K. Mukherji, M.D., from the Michigan State University HealthTeam in East Lansing, Michigan.

The International Visiting Professor Program was founded in 1986 and is administered by RSNA's Committee on International Relations and Education. This program is supported by Fujifilm Medical Systems.

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The RSNA Committee on International Relations and Education was established in 1986 to advise the RSNA on how the Society might provide international assistance to enhance radiologic education in countries requesting and requiring assistance. (<u>RSNA.org/International/CIRE</u>)