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Edward Bluth, M.D., Travels to Mexico through International Education Program

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OAK BROOK, Ill. — Radiologist Edward Bluth, M.D., will bring his 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. Bluth, Chairman Emeritus at the Ochsner Health System in New Orleans, La. will be joined by a fellow radiologist as he embarks September 6 on the 10-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.

"This program is important because it enables me to teach and train radiologists and residents in Mexico about ultrasound, enabling me to reach a wider audience and have a greater impact on the practice of radiology," Dr. Bluth said. "Additionally, it enables me to learn about the practice of medicine in Mexico and to appreciate the similarities and differences in our types of practices."

"As chairman of the ACR Human Resources Commission, I am very interested in the personal side of the practice of medicine and this will help me gain greater insight on the practice of radiology in Mexico," Dr. Bluth continued. "I have been fortunate to have played a role in developing and expanding certain applications of ultrasound, and it is my pleasure to share this information with others."

Dr. Bluth will be accompanied by Vikram S. Dogra, M.D., from the University of Rochester Medical Center in Rochester, N.Y. He will spend his trip lecturing at the XV Annual Course of Ultrasound organized by the Mexican Society of Radiology and Imaging in Mexico City, as well as visiting several local hospitals and teaching institutions.
The International Visiting Professor Program was founded in 1986 and is administered by RSNA's Committee on International Relations and Education. This trip is supported by Agfa Healthcare.

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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. RSNA.org/International/CIRE.