Theresa C. McLoud, M.D., Travels to Mongolia through International Education Program

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OAK BROOK, Ill. — Radiologist Theresa C. McLoud, M.D., will bring her medical expertise to Mongolia 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. McLoud, thoracic radiologist and program director and vice chair for education at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, Mass., will be joined by two fellow radiologists as she embarks September 13 on the 11-day trip. She will spend her 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.

"My career in radiology has centered on education," Dr. McLoud said. "I was the educational liaison when I served on the RSNA Board of Directors. International outreach is an integral part of the RSNA mission."

"I have always had an interest in international relations and global health as it applies to radiology," Dr. McLoud continued. "The visiting professor program provides me and my colleagues with a unique opportunity to share experience and expertise in radiology with the global radiologic community. It is a privilege and an honor to participate in this program. I particularly look forward to the interactions with residents and trainees in Mongolia."
Dr. McLoud, who is also professor of radiology at Harvard Medical School, will be accompanied by Carlos Torres, M.D., FRCPC, from The Ottawa Hospital in Ontario, Canada, and Muşturay Karçaaltincaba, M.D., from the Hacettepe University School of Medicine in Ankara, Turkey.

Dr. McLoud will spend her trip attending the Mongolian Congress of Radiology, organized by the Mongolian Radiological Society. She will conclude her trip visiting and lecturing at several hospitals in the area.

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 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. RSNA.org/International/CIRE.