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George A. Taylor, M.D., Travels to Mexico through International Education Program

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OAK BROOK, Ill. — Radiologist George A. Taylor, M.D., from Children's Hospital Boston (CHB), 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. Taylor, John A. Kirkpatrick Professor of Radiology (pediatrics) at CHB, will be joined by a fellow radiologist as he embarks September 9 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.

"As a former chair of the RSNA Committee on International Relations and Education (CIRE), I know what a tremendous impact programs like this can have on trainees and on practicing radiologists in both developing and developed countries," Dr. Taylor said. "During this trip, I will spend two days reviewing clinical cases and lecturing to radiology residents in two teaching hospitals, followed by talks at a National Ultrasound Congress in Mexico City. Being able to interact in Spanish makes these connections stronger, and for a much more fertile exchange of ideas. I often learn as much as I teach!"

Dr. Taylor, who is also the Harvard Medical School radiologist-in-chief, emeritus, will be accompanied by Jorge A. Soto, M.D., from the Boston University Medical Center.

In addition to speaking at the National Ultrasound Congress, Dr. Taylor will visit the radiology departments of Medica Sur Hospital, and Hospital Ángeles Pedregal.

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>)