RSNA Appoints Dr. Jinel Scott to Radiology Health Equity Coalition

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OAK BROOK, Ill. — The Radiological Society of North America (RSNA) has appointed Jinel Scott, M.D., as its representative to the recently established Radiology Health Equity Coalition.

The coalition brings together the radiology community to address health disparities and measurably change outcomes. This network of patient-focused radiologists will collect and disseminate resources and best practices, advocate for and connect with patients and community members, and collaborate on programs and services to empower their colleagues to improve health care equity.

"At the National Convention of the Medical Committee of Human Rights in 1966, Martin Luther King Jr. said, 'Of all the forms of inequity, injustice in health care is the most shocking and inhumane,'" Dr. Scott said. "Radiology has a role in addressing inequities in health care and I am proud to represent the RSNA as a part of the Radiology Health Equity Coalition."

Dr. Scott is a clinical assistant professor in the Department of Radiology at SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University, and director of emergency imaging, quality and
patient safety services at Kings County Hospital Center, both in New York City. In addition to being the RSNA representative to the Radiology Health Equity Coalition, Dr. Scott is a member of RSNA's Committee on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

In a recent Radiology review article, "Narrowing the Gap: Imaging Disparities in Radiology," Dr. Scott, along with colleagues Stephen Waite, M.D., and Daria Colombo, M.D., outlined the important role of radiology in meeting the health care needs of underserved populations. "Knowledge, research and advocacy are the keys to implementing affirmative changes in the system. The time for action is now," the authors wrote.

RSNA joins the American College of Radiology (ACR), the American Board of Radiology (ABR), the American Roentgen Ray Society (ARRS), the Association of University Radiologists (AUR), the Society of Chairs of Academic Radiology Departments (SCARD) and the Society of Interventional Radiology (SIR) in advancing the coalition.

RSNA News is running a series on health care equity, which will highlight relevant activities and resources of the Radiology Health Equity Coalition as they become available.

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