RSNA Press Release

Jinel A. Scott, M.D., M.B.A., Joins RSNA Board of Directors

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OAK BROOK, Ill. – Jinel A. Scott, M.D., M.B.A., a dedicated advocate for quality improvement, patient safety and health equity for patients and diversity, equity and inclusion in the radiology profession, has been elected as an at-large director on the Radiological Society of North America’s Board of Directors.

"This is a really exciting and dynamic time for radiology, as the field seeks to extend its impact beyond the reading room to meet the challenges of delivering care in a safe and equitable manner," Dr. Scott said. "RSNA has always been at the forefront of radiology technology and education, and it is an honor to serve RSNA and the radiology community in this capacity and at this time. The future is bright for our profession, and I am pleased to be a part of it in my new role with the Society."

Dr. Scott is an associate professor of clinical radiology in the Department of Radiology at State University of New York (SUNY) Downstate Health Sciences University, and director of emergency radiology, quality improvement and patient safety in the Department of Radiology at New York Health and Hospitals/Kings County, both in New York City.

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After receiving her undergraduate degree from Howard University in Washington, D.C., Dr.
Scott earned her medical degree from Howard University College of Medicine in 2001 and did her internship in internal medicine at Washington Hospital Center also in Washington, D.C. She completed her residency at SUNY Downstate Medical Center in Brooklyn, NY, including as chief resident in 2005-2006. Dr. Scott was a musculoskeletal radiology fellow at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn in 2006-2007.

Following her residency and fellowship, Dr. Scott was a teleradiologist for Radisphere, headquartered in Beachwood, Ohio, from 2007 until 2011. She joined the faculty of SUNY Downstate in 2011, first at Long Island College Hospital in Brooklyn. In 2014 she moved to Kings County Hospital, also in Brooklyn, where she is today.

Highly regarded for her dedication to improving medical care for underserved patients, Dr. Scott is committed to providing high quality and safe care for all patients and focuses much of her time to making change happen in the health equity space.

Dr. Scott is a member of RSNA's Committee on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and the RSNA representative to the Radiology Health Equity Coalition. She serves on the American College of Radiology (ACR) Appropriateness Criteria Expert Panel on Musculoskeletal Imaging and the General Radiology Improvement Database Committee. She is a member of the NYC Health and Hospitals System High Value Council. Dr. Scott is also chair of the Lung Cancer Screening Multidisciplinary Steering Committee of Kings County Hospital Center Department of Radiology, which coordinated the implementation of the Kings Healthy Lungs Program in June 2021.

Dr. Scott has authored or co-authored papers in peer-reviewed publications on a wide range of topics, including narrowing the gap in imaging disparities, communication errors in radiology, pediatric trauma imaging, strategies to improve employee retention, and more. She has conducted Institutional Review Board (IRB) approved research on topics as varied as "Factors Associated with Career Success among Black Radiologists" to "Radiology and the Assessment of Elder Abuse" to "CT Imaging in the Evaluation of Acute Pancreatitis in the Emergency Department."

In 2019, Dr. Scott received her MBA in Healthcare Leadership from the University of Tennessee Haslam School of Business. She received her Lean Healthcare Green Belt Certification in 2020 and that same year participated in the Greater New York Hospital Association and United Hospital Fund Clinical Quality Fellowship Program. Dr. Scott has received additional certifications, most notably focused on quality and safety including as a Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality (CPHQ).

Dr. Scott will serve on the RSNA Board of Directors for a term of three years.

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