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William E. Brant, M.D., Travels to Nigeria through International Education Program

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (June 16, 2008) - William E. Brant, M.D., professor of radiology at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, will bring his medical expertise to Nigeria 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. Brant, joined by two fellow radiologists, embarks today on the 13-day trip to give presentations and teach intensive seminars to members of Nigerian radiology societies and hospital radiology departments.

"I believe that the RSNA Visiting Professor Program is a powerful extension of good will from North American radiologists," Dr. Brant said.

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.

Dr. Brant is accompanied by Anne C. Roberts, M.D., of University of California San Diego (UCSD) Thornton Hospital in La Jolla, Calif., and Sughra Raza, M.D., of Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston. Locations of the presentations in Nigeria include the University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital, University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital, College of Medicine/University College Hospital and the Nigeria Chapter of the Association of Radiologists of West Africa.

The International Visiting Professors Program was founded in 1986 and is administered by RSNA's Committee on International Relations and Education (CIRE).

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