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RSNA Press Release

Anil Khosla, M.D., Travels to South Africa through International Education Program

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (August 4, 2014) – Radiologist Anil Khosla, M.D., will bring his medical expertise to Cape Town, South Africa, 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. Khosla, staff radiologist at St. Joseph Hospital in Stockton, Calif., will be joined by a fellow radiologist as he embarks August 1 on the 16-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.

"It's always exciting to visit another country and learn about their health care and practice of radiology," Dr. Khosla said. "This program provides a unique opportunity for direct interaction with radiologists abroad, and allows us to share knowledge and common goals to achieve better healthcare worldwide. It's an opportunity to learn the strengths and weaknesses of the radiology services in the host country, to learn from the experiences of staff and contribute to their improvement. It will enhance our knowledge about certain diseases, and the meaningful use of available resources. I am looking forward to my visit to South Africa."

Dr. Khosla, who is also an assistant professor of radiology at the Saint Louis University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Mo., will be accompanied by Rebecca L. Hulett, M.D., assistant professor of radiology at the Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology in St. Louis.

Dr. Khosla will begin his trip attending conferences at Stellenbosch University and Groote Schuur Hospital in Western Cape. He will then visit the Red Cross Children's Hospital in Rondebosch. Dr. Khosla will conclude his trip in Parow, where he will attend meetings and present at the radiology department of Tygerberg Hospital.

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>)