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Mahesh Shetty, M.D., Travels to Argentina through International Education Program

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OAK BROOK, Ill. (September 9, 2014) — Radiologist Mahesh Shetty, M.D., from Baylor College of Medicine (BCM) in Houston, Texas, will bring his medical expertise to Argentina 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. Shetty, clinical professor of radiology at BCM, will be joined by two fellow radiologists as he embarks September 12 on the eight-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.

"Global health and the challenges faced by radiologists in other countries is an area that is of particular interest to me. It is a special honor to represent RSNA as an international visiting professor," Dr. Shetty said. "I am looking forward not only to participating and lecturing at the 60th Argentine Congress of Radiology but also learning from my professional colleagues in Buenos Aires on their best practices suited to their patient population and resources."

Dr. Shetty will spend his trip visiting Hospital Argerich and Hospital Británico de Buenos Aires. He will conclude his trip lecturing at the Argentine Congress of Radiology (CAR).

"Worldwide rapid increase in incidence of breast cancer and a significantly higher mortality rate in developing countries calls for urgent intervention to implement cost-effective programs for screening and early diagnosis," Dr. Shetty said. "I am hence eager to learn about the current breast cancer screening programs in place in Argentina and the outcomes during my visits to individual institutions. Interacting with and teaching residents will be a particularly gratifying experience."

Dr. Shetty, who is also chief physician at Woman's Center for Breast Care and MRI in Houston, will be accompanied by Stephen Zivin, M.D., from Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights, Illinois, and Suresh K. Mukherji, M.D., from the Michigan

State University HealthTeam in East Lansing, Michigan.

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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