

## APDR Achievement Award • Jay A. Harolds, MD

Introduction by James H. Thrall, MD

Jay A. Harolds, MD, is an exemplar of distinguished and dedicated service to radiology. Throughout his career, he has taken on responsibilities that have advanced the specialty of radiology locally, regionally, and nationally.

Dr Harolds served for 28 years on the staff of Integris Baptist Hospital in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and for the last 2 years has served as professor of radiology at the University of Oklahoma, where he also serves as vice chair of the Department of Radiological Sciences. At Integris Baptist Hospital, Dr Harolds served for 17 years as program director for the radiology residency program, building it from a five-member residency to an outstanding 17-person program. Under Dr Harolds' leadership and direction, residents performed uniformly well on American Board of Radiology examinations, and the program repeatedly received maximum accreditation from the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME). Dr Harolds also served for 8 years as chair of the Radiology Department at Baptist Hospital and led the development of a new and expanded department during his tenure.

Dr Harolds is a fixture in radiology and nuclear medicine organizations in the Southwest, having served as president of the Southwest Chapter of the Society of Nuclear Medicine (SNM) and the Oklahoma State Radiological Society. At the national level, Dr Harolds' accomplishments are equally impressive, with service as president of the APDR, the American College of Nuclear Medicine, and the American College of Nuclear Physicians.

Dr Harolds has served on the board of the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists and has a long track record of service to the American Board of Radiology. He has served as an examiner for the oral boards on multiple occasions and has also served as a member of the Maintenance of Certification Committee.

Dr Harolds has served on the Council Steering Committee of the American College of Radiology (ACR). He currently serves as co-chair of the Guidelines and Technical Standards Committee in Nuclear Medi-

cine for the ACR and is a past chair of the Education Committee for Nuclear Medicine. He has served on numerous other ACR committees and has chaired a reference committee for the ACR.

Dr Harolds' work on behalf of the APDR is particularly impressive. As a member and as president of the APDR, he served on the committee to develop a model curriculum, recruited new members, established a consultative service to help radiology program directors improve their programs, and formed a long-range planning committee to work on strategic objectives, among many other accomplishments.

A hallmark of Dr Harolds' efforts throughout his career has been the bringing together of radiology organizations to the benefit of the specialty of radiology. He helped strengthen the relationship between the APDR and the AUR and on numerous occasions has served as a liaison to the SNM on matters important to the entire imaging community. Dr Harolds was a motivating force behind the establishment of the Academic Council encompassing the Radiological Society of North American (RSNA),

APDR, AUR, and the Society of Chairs of Academic Radiology Departments (SCARD).

Given his accomplishments and willingness to serve, it is not a surprise that Dr Harolds has been recognized with awards and honors by numerous organizations. He has been awarded fellowship by both the ACR and the American College of Nuclear Medicine. He has been recognized by Marquis' *Who's Who in the World*, *Who's Who in America*, *Who's Who in Healthcare*, and *Who's Who in Science and Engineering*. He is listed in "Best Doctors in America" and was cited by *Oklahoma Magazine!* as "Best Diagnostic Radiologist" in Oklahoma. In 2006, Dr Harolds received the President's Award of the American College of Nuclear Physicians and the Distinguished Service Award of the Academic Council of SNM.

The specialty of radiology is fortunate to have people of the ability and dedication of Jay A. Harolds, MD, and it is fitting that the APDR should recognize Dr Harolds with its 2010 Achievement Award.



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