



Radiology Partners Announces Deal with Baylor College of Medicine

Partnership Will Expand Texas Presence; Provides Academic Research Capabilities

El Segundo, CA (October 3, 2017) – [Radiology Partners](#), (RP), the largest physician-led and physician-owned radiology practice in the United States, today announced a new affiliation with the [Baylor College of Medicine](#) in Houston, TX. “Baylor Radiologists: A Radiology Partners Affiliated Practice” will be a new section within the department of radiology at Baylor, initially comprised of 32 radiologists. The affiliation will provide services at Baylor’s primary academic hospital, Baylor St. Luke’s Medical Center, as well as at Catholic Health Initiatives (CHI) network hospitals in Houston and Southeast Texas, in addition to other community hospitals in Southeast Texas. This affiliation is planned to grow alongside future opportunities, such as the build-out of the new Baylor St. Luke’s Medical Center – McNair Campus.

“This broad-based academic, research, clinical and business affiliation is the first of its kind,” said Rich Whitney, Chairman and CEO of Radiology Partners. “The sharing of resources, talent and expertise among the largest private radiology practice and a top university medical center and radiology training program offers both partners exciting opportunities for growth and clinical innovation.”

The affiliation between Radiology Partners and Baylor creates a strong strategic link between a leading radiology practice and a highly respected academic medical institution. Radiology Partners will gain access to key resources to advance its clinical initiatives, including its evidence-based best practice recommendation (BPR) program for findings such as incidental thyroid nodules, ovarian cysts, and abdominal aortic aneurysms, as well its care management follow-up program. Additionally, Radiology Partners will provide Baylor with technology and clinical operating capabilities that will allow the affiliation to extend its reach to numerous new sites in Southeast Texas and will offer access to a rich clinical data-set and new research and publishing opportunities for the Baylor faculty, residents and fellows.

“As we have gotten to know Radiology Partners, we have come to realize that this is a natural partnership of two mission-driven organizations,” said Dr. Eric Rohren, chair of the department of radiology at Baylor College of Medicine. “In order to keep pace with the changes in the healthcare world, we need to consider innovative approaches that bring together the best of academic and community-based medicine. Through this affiliation, we will have the opportunity to align the strengths of our two outstanding organizations to meet these challenges. Our teams have already begun enthusiastically planning specific initiatives for near-term growth, clinical development and research collaboration. We look forward to a long and successful partnership.”



Dr. Daniel Fang, a partner with RP who will head the Community Division of Baylor Radiologists, said that, “This affiliation affirms our belief that academic and community radiologists can and should be working together, for the benefit of everyone, most importantly our patients.”

RP’s affiliation with the Baylor College of Medicine is expected to add to the rapid growth of the practice. The announcement of this agreement comes within six months of RP’s announcement of the addition of 22 sites across seven states, including expansion within Texas, and the recent addition of Southwest Diagnostic Imaging in Arizona, a leading practice with over 120 radiologists.

About Radiology Partners

Radiology Partners, the largest physician-led and physician-owned radiology practice in the U.S., is a multi-state, hospital-based practice serving more than 400 hospitals and other healthcare facilities in markets across Arizona, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, and Texas. We are a physician-led practice whose mission is to transform radiology by innovating across clinical value, service and economics, while elevating the role of radiology and radiologists in healthcare. Using a proven healthcare services model, Radiology Partners provides consistent, high-quality care to patients, while delivering enhanced value to the hospitals, clinics, imaging centers, and referring physicians we serve. Learn more at www.radpartners.com.

About Baylor College of Medicine

Baylor College of Medicine (www.bcm.edu) in Houston is recognized as a premier academic health sciences center and is known for excellence in education, research and patient care. It is the only private medical school in the greater southwest and is ranked 21st among medical schools for research and 8th for primary care by *U.S. News & World Report*. Baylor is listed 20th among all U.S. medical schools for National Institutes of Health funding and No. 1 in Texas. Located in the Texas Medical Center, Baylor has affiliations with seven teaching hospitals and jointly owns and operates Baylor St. Luke’s Medical Center, part of CHI St. Luke’s Health. The Baylor pediatrics program ranked 9th among all pediatric programs, reflecting the strong affiliation with Texas Children’s Hospital where our faculty care for pediatric patients and our students and residents train. Our physician assistant program was ranked 13th in the health disciplines category. Currently, Baylor trains more than 3,000 medical, graduate, nurse anesthesia, physician assistant and orthotics students, as well as residents and postdoctoral fellows. Follow Baylor College of Medicine on Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/BaylorCollegeOfMedicine>) and Twitter (<http://twitter.com/BCMHouston>).

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