

- ACR Professional Self-Evaluation syllabi and the Continuous Professional Improvement course
- Free access to daily Case in Point
- Free access to the CME Gateway to monitor your CME credits earned through participating organizations

### Complimentary Member Subscriptions

#### Publications

- *The Journal of the American College of Radiology* (monthly) and *ACR Bulletin* (10 issues per year)

#### Other Online Resources ([www.acr.org](http://www.acr.org))

- Up-to-date news and information on radiology, health care, research, advocacy, and membership activities
- Free access to Harrison’s Online to browse or search *Harrison’s Principles of Internal Medicine*. View the latest issue of the *JACR* or search its archives; visit RadiologySource to peruse the contents and article abstracts from more than a dozen radiology titles.
- ACR Professional Bureau job listings
- ACR membership directory and members-only section of the ACR Web site

### Accreditation Programs

All facilities providing mammography must be accredited by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The FDA has designated the ACR as an accrediting body. The ACR offers accreditation in the following modalities:

- Mammography
- Radiation Oncology
- Breast Ultrasound
- Computed Tomography
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging
- Nuclear Medicine
- PET
- Stereotactic Breast Biopsy
- Ultrasound



### Additional Member Benefits

- ACR Benefits Plus affinity program offers members a competitive credit card with reward points and discounted rates on a variety of services, such as insurance products, hotels, rental cars, and travel arrangements.



### The Bottom Line

The ACR works for you and your patients. No other radiology organization can provide the depth and breadth of service aimed at preserving the strength of the profession, including *the high quality of patient care delivered by those practicing pediatric radiology*. The ACR takes pride in being *your* advocate, continuously seeking solutions to the ever-evolving challenges you face. By becoming a member, you help to support this work and enable the ACR to better represent the entire radiology profession. Join the ACR today and find out what 32,000 of your colleagues have found — the ACR is a wise investment for advancing the profession of radiology and patient care.

For more information, visit [www.acr.org](http://www.acr.org) and click on “Member Services,” or call (800) 347-7748.

## Pediatric Radiology Looking to our Future



- Capitol Hill Advocacy
- International Outreach
- Practice and Clinical Research

### Membership at a Glance

To become a member of the ACR,  
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## Why Should I Join the ACR?

The ACR promotes, advances, and defends your current and future success and professional well-being. The most powerful organization of its kind, the ACR has the resources to make your voice heard and to safeguard and improve the quality of pediatric radiology. The success of pediatric radiology depends on your involvement.

## How Important Is Pediatric Radiology to the ACR?

The pediatric radiology community enjoys access to the highest levels of decision making in the ACR. **Three renowned pediatric radiologists also serve on the ACR board:** David C. Kushner, M.D., FACR, *council vice speaker*; Donald P. Frush, M.D., *chair, commission on pediatrics*; Carol M. Rumack, M.D., FACR, *chair, commission on ultrasound*; and Charles D. Williams, M.D., FACR, *vice president, the American College of Radiology*. Additionally, Frush and Rumack serve as executive committee members.

In 2006, the ACR formed the Commission on Pediatric Radiology to ensure that pediatric radiology remains at the forefront of the ACR's priorities. The Commission has developed a strategic plan to ensure that pediatric radiologists are involved in each of the major functional areas of the College — quality and safety, education, government relations and child advocacy, and economics. The recent move by the Society for Pediatric Radiology to receive professional management assistance from the ACR also reflects the ACR's commitment to pediatric radiology.

## The ACR Works for Pediatric Radiology

### Advocacy

The ACR leads the way in protecting and improving the practice of pediatric radiology by:

- Formulating radiation safety policies
- Formulating technical standards for imaging equipment used for infants and children
- Establishing practice guidelines for pediatric radiology
- Addressing inappropriate use of imaging services, including self-referral
- Advocating for policy and standards to preserve the profession of radiology
- Maximizing reimbursement through direct involvement with public and private payers

### International Outreach

The ACR International Volunteer System (<https://international.service.acr.org>), an interactive Web site, provides opportunities for pediatric radiologists and other radiology professionals to volunteer time, money, equipment, or materials to facilities in developing nations. The Society for Pediatric Radiology (SPR) provides a direct liaison to the ACR International Service Committee and works cooperatively to identify new opportunities for international outreach efforts in pediatric radiology.

### Research

The ACR clinical research activities, based in Philadelphia, boast one of the largest research institutions in the United States.

- **Clinical research.** Clinical trials research, primarily funded by the National Cancer Institute (NCI), provides a

major source of evidence-based clinical efficacy data to support the work of the radiology community. Findings are often publicized in media nationwide, highlighting the radiologists' role in the battle to detect and treat disease at its earliest stages. One of the largest clinical research programs is the American College of Radiology Imaging Network<sup>®</sup>, an NCI-funded cooperative group, whose overarching goal is to generate information on diagnostic imaging and image-guided therapy that will lengthen and improve the quality of the lives of cancer patients. Current trials include "Pediatric Malignancy: Staging With Whole Body MRI."

- **Practice research.** Authored by ACR staff, a major research paper titled "**A Portrait of Radiologists in the United States**" was published in the *American Journal of Roentgenology* in January 2006. The white paper included the most extensive information about the practice of pediatric radiology in the United States. For a list of articles and journals, visit [www.acr.org](http://www.acr.org).

### Political Action

Experienced government relations staff at the ACR in Washington, D.C., work tirelessly to protect the future of radiology by representing your concerns on Capitol Hill and at state legislative levels. Additionally, the ACR works to ensure that reimbursement and coding descriptions reflect the changing patterns of radiological care. ACR representatives are actively involved with other medical organizations, ensuring your representation in the wider medical profession.

At the local level, the ACR is close at hand to represent state and local interests for your profession. With 54 chapters and more than 140 ACR commissions and committees, including those dedicated to pediatric radiology, working to serve the interests of radiologists, you have ample opportunities to get involved and help make a difference!

## What Are the Benefits of ACR Membership?

The ACR offers you numerous benefits to help with your day-to-day practice needs and your professional development.

### Practice Resources

- ACR Practice Guidelines & Technical Standards and ACR Appropriateness Criteria<sup>®</sup>
- Expert consultation for pediatric radiology practice questions — Timely answers to questions dealing with economic, practice, legal, patient care, education, or professional issues from more than 300 dedicated and expert ACR staff
- *ACR Radiology Coding Source*<sup>™</sup>, an electronic newsletter that features the latest information on Medicare and third-party payer policies, reimbursement, and coding issues important to radiologists

### Educational Resources

The ACR makes it convenient and easy to obtain continuing education (CME) opportunities for maintenance of certification. You'll receive member discounts on:

- **ACR Campus**<sup>™</sup>: Accessible 24 hours a day at <http://campus.acr.org>, the ACR Campus<sup>™</sup> offers world-class lecturers and content on the latest topics in medical imaging, all from the convenience of your desktop. The ACR Campus<sup>™</sup> also includes 26 lectures jointly produced by the Society for Pediatric Radiology and the ACR. Featuring some of the most recognized names in the field, these lectures cover such key topics as head and neck imaging, musculoskeletal intervention, emergency radiology, fetal imaging, and challenges of radiography in the digital age.