Society of Breast Imaging and RAD-AID International Announce RAD-AID/SBI Global Breast Imaging Program

New partnership seeks to improve patient outcomes and increase both access and opportunities in breast imaging globally

(Reston, VA)—Today the Society of Breast Imaging (SBI) is pleased to announce a new partnership with RAD-AID International to establish the RAD-AID/SBI Global Breast Imaging Program designed to increase access to medical imaging services for breast imaging globally.

Breast Cancer is the leading cause of cancer-related deaths for women globally. In low and middle-income countries (LMICs), where health system resources are limited, women are diagnosed with breast cancer at a later stage and are more likely to die of the disease. Together, SBI and RAD-AID aim to improve patient outcomes while offering members the opportunity to make an impact through the RAD-AID/SBI Global Breast Imaging Program.

Statement from Jessica Leung, MD, FACR, FSBI, President, SBI

“SBI is extremely enthused and hopeful about our new partnership with RAD-AID. With emerging understanding of social disparities in healthcare, we strive to impact breast health and breast cancer care around the world, bettering lives in our global community in ways that constitute our profession, mission, and passion. We are grateful to all those behind-the-scenes who have made this partnership possible. And as always, we are indebted to our members for their unwavering dedication and support.”

Statement from Daniel J. Mollura, MD, President and CEO, RAD-AID International

“RAD-AID is extremely excited to launch this partnership with SBI. We look forward to working with SBI to advance breast health and breast cancer care for medical underserved areas around the world. This partnership between SBI and RAD-AID will empower solutions for health care disparities globally and locally.”

This partnership also creates unique and valuable volunteer opportunities for SBI’s 3000+ members within RAD-AID’s established global health programs, inclusive of various education offerings and web conferences within RAD-AID’s regional programs. The collaboration enables SBI’s members to join RAD-AID teams for helping resource-poor institutions and underserved communities. SBI is known for its world-class education and seeks to make it easily accessible to breast imaging professionals in regions where resources are limited. RAD-AID is known for its 12+ years of global health charitable outreach impacting 83 medical imaging institutions in 38 countries through on-site and online support of breast health services. An integral part of SBI’s focus is to make a global impact in breast imaging by improving knowledge and clinical care worldwide. In 2016 SBI launched the International Education Outreach Program to carry out this objective, creating educational programs in eight countries. Today, the establishment of the RAD-AID/SBI Global Breast Imaging Program allows them to expand their efforts exponentially.
The Society of Breast Imaging (SBI), established in 1985, is a professional medical organization dedicated to improving the practice of breast imaging and the quality of medical education in breast imaging. The SBI also provides a medium for the exchange of ideas among those involved in breast imaging. The SBI includes leading international breast imaging specialists among its membership.

RAD-AID International is a 501(c)(3) non-profit charity that aims to increase access to radiology and to essential health services in global health. The mission of RAD-AID Breast Imaging is to help improve breast cancer outcomes and survival in women living in low-resource regions of the world by promoting early diagnosis and screening of breast cancer, and to help strengthen the pathway from diagnosis to treatment by engaging multidisciplinary partners in surgery, gynecology, oncology, radiation oncology, pathology and nursing.

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