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American Board of Radiology Foundation announces the launch of free online Educational Modules on Ethics and Professionalism

The American Board of Radiology Foundation (ABRF) announces the launch of 10 web-based instructional modules: **Online Modules on Ethics and Professionalism**. The modules were developed with the support of six organizations: the American Association for Physicists in Medicine (AAPM), the American Board of Radiology (ABR), the American College of Radiology (ACR), the American Radium Society (ARS), the American Society for Radiation Oncology (ASTRO), and the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA). They are available on the ABRF website at <https://www.abronline.org/asp/abrf/>.

“The goal of the online modules is to promote ethics and professionalism in our field,” said William R. Hendee, PhD, immediate past chair of the ABRF and project director for the educational modules. “They represent our shared commitment to serving the public good and our devotion to lifelong learning and selfless service to patients.”

Because the mission of the ABRF is to demonstrate, enhance, and continuously improve accountability to the public in the use of medical imaging and radiation therapy, the ABRF and the supporters listed above are providing these modules without charge to all who may benefit from them.

“We are very pleased to offer these instructional modules at no cost,” said Glenn S. Forbes, MD, chair of the ABRF. “We also would like to thank our six collaborating organizations, who provided crucial support and assistance throughout the development of the project.”

The **Online Modules on Ethics and Professionalism** are designed to educate physicians and physicists about the attributes and nuances of ethics and professionalism that are essential to the practice of diagnostic radiology, radiation oncology, and medical physics. Each module is self-guided and includes self-testing features to help the reader assess his or her comprehension and application of the principles and practices described in the module. This activity has been approved for AMA Part 1 CME credit and has been qualified by the ABR for SAM credit in fulfillment of Maintenance of Certification (MOC) requirements.

The modules were developed by expert teams of individuals and have been peer reviewed for content, quality, and clarity. Critical reviews were provided by members of the ACR-RSNA Committee on an Ethics Curriculum and the ACR Committee on Professionalism. The modules provide a basic understanding of ethics and professionalism issues, including the following topics:

- Attributes of Professions and Professionals
- Physician-Physician and Physician-Patient Interactions
- Personal Behavior, Peer Review, and Contract Negotiations with Employers
- Conflict of Interest
- Ethics of Research
- Human Subjects Research
- Vertebrate Animal Research
- Relationships with Vendors
- Publication Ethics
- Ethics in Graduate and Resident Education

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The long-term vision of the American Board of Radiology Foundation (ABRF) is to address issues related to uses of medical imaging and radiation therapy and to benefit the public by being a convener and catalyst, as well as a knowledge resource. With a sole commitment to serve the public good and current or past senior leadership representation from every professional entity within the community of diagnostic radiology, radiation oncology, and medical physics, the ABRF provides a special opportunity to collaborate and form broad partnerships with public engagement directed toward issues of common interest.