



Doctor Gary L. Dillehay to Receive SNM Central Chapter's Gold Medal

Chicago, IL - The Central Chapter of the Society of Nuclear Medicine (CCSNM) will honor Gary L. Dillehay, MD, FACR, FACNM, Professor of Radiology at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine in Chicago, with the presentation of the Steven M. Pinsky Distinguished Service Award. The Distinguished Service Award or Gold Medal will be presented to Doctor Dillehay at the March 26, 2011 CCSNM Annual Meeting in Chicago, recognizing his many years of service to radiology and nuclear medicine as well as his leadership in organized medicine on both the state and national levels.

A native of Rochester, Minnesota, Doctor Dillehay received his undergraduate degree from the University of Minnesota and his medical degree from the Mayo School of Medicine in Rochester. Following an internship in combined medicine and radiology at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Doctor Dillehay went on to complete his radiology residency at Northwestern. He later completed postgraduate training in Nuclear Medicine, also at Northwestern, earning board certification in both nuclear medicine and radiology with special competence in nuclear radiology.

Doctor Dillehay left Northwestern in 1984 to join the faculty of Stritch School of Medicine at Loyola University Medical Center attaining the rank of Professor. While at Loyola, Doctor Dillehay served as the Acting Director of Nuclear Medicine from 1998 to 2002 and served on numerous hospital committees, including chairing the Utilization Review Committee. In 2006, Dillehay left Loyola to join the Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine as Professor of Radiology in the Division of Nuclear Medicine.

Doctor Dillehay has been highly involved with Nuclear Medicine at both the local and national level. He twice served as Central Chapter president. He has also chaired the Central Chapter's Publications, Program, and Constitution and Bylaws Committees. He is the current chair of the Central Chapter Finance Committee.

Doctor Dillehay has also served on numerous committees with the Society of Nuclear Medicine (SNM) and currently serves on the SNM's Commission on Health Care Policy, Computer Technology Assessment Committee, Commission on Education, and ACNP/SNM Government Relations Committee.

He is past chair of the SNM's Commission on Education, Education and Training Committee and Continuing Education and Course Approval Committee, currently chairs the SNM's Coding and Reimbursement Committee, and is the SNM's Delegate to the American Medical Association.

Doctor Dillehay has also served on the SNM's Board of Trustees, Board of Directors and the SNM's House of Delegates and was elected Speaker of the House of Delegates in 2007-2009.

Dillehay is past president of the American College of Nuclear Medicine (formerly the American College of Nuclear Physicians) and has chaired its Membership, Finance, Strategic Planning and Fellowship Committees as well as Practice Management and Economics and Professional and Public Information Program Committees. For his scholarship, service and leadership in nuclear medicine, he was awarded Fellowship in the ACNP in 1992.

Doctor Dillehay is currently President of the Illinois Radiological Society (IRS) and serves as state Councilor to the American College of Radiology (ACR). He has been an active member of the Executive Committees of the Illinois Radiological Society. Besides chairing the Illinois Radiological Society's Bylaws Committee, he has also served on the IRS Finance, Membership and Legislative Advisory Committees. Doctor Dillehay chaired the Illinois Radiological Society's Fellowship Committee from 2002 to 2010, and during his tenure 50 radiologists have been honored with fellowship status. He also serves as the Illinois Radiological Society (and American College of Nuclear Medicine) Representative to the Illinois Medicare Part B Carrier Advisory Committee.

A past president of the Chicago Radiological Society (CRS), Doctor Dillehay served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Chicago Radiological Society before being elected President and has since chaired the CRS Nominating Committee and Distinguished Service Committees. The CRS awarded Doctor Dillehay its Distinguished Service Award or Gold Medal in April, 2010.

Doctor Dillehay has also served on the ACR's Commission on Nuclear Medicine and the Committee on Standards and Accreditation for Nuclear Medicine. An active participant in the ACR Annual Meeting and Chapter Leadership Conference, Doctor Dillehay has chaired and participated in several Reference Committees and regularly participates in the ACR's annual visits to Capitol Hill. For his service to the ACR and his local chapters, Doctor Dillehay was awarded Fellowship in the ACR in 1997.

Doctor Dillehay has extensively volunteered his time and talent, holding leadership positions in many other medical and radiology organizations. He is an active member of the American Medical Association, the Illinois State Medical Society and the Chicago Medical Society as well as the Association of University Radiologists. Doctor Dillehay also served on the Board of Directors for the Nuclear Medicine Technologist Certification Board and currently serves on the Joint Review Committee for Nuclear Medicine Training Programs and the American Board of Nuclear Medicine.

A member of the Radiological Society of North America (RSNA), Doctor Dillehay has served as a member of both the RSNA Program Committee and the Communications Committee, chaired its Nuclear Medicine Subcommittee and served on the Editorial Board for *RadioGraphics*.

A noted author and lecturer, Doctor Dillehay has co-authored two books on nuclear medicine, seven book chapters and numerous journal articles.

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