

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MICHIGAN RADIOLOGICAL SOCIETY (MRS) ATTENDING THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGY ANNUAL MEETING

The American College of Radiology (ACR) Annual Meeting is a most important meeting that includes the only meeting of its Council, election of College and Council officers, induction of new Fellows, and a venue to interact with members of other Chapters. The MRS sends Councilors, Alternate Councilors, and residents/fellows to participate in the conduct of this meeting. As a matter of MRS leadership, the Executive Committee is providing an advisory to their councilors and alternate councilors in fulfilling their responsibilities at ACR Annual meeting and in particular its Council meeting.

Councilors and alternate councilors must be Members of the College. The Councilor's primary duty is to serve as a representative from the Chapter in the Council of the American College of Radiology.

The Alternate Councilor shall help the Councilor in the performance of their duties and accompany them to meetings of the Chapter and of the College. The Alternate Councilor shall be prepared to act for the Councilor whenever necessary.

The duties of Councilors shall include:

- attending and participating actively in the meetings of the Chapter and of the College;
- familiarizing themselves with activities and problems at the local and national levels;
- acting as liaison between the Chapter and the College and interpreting each to the other;
- contributing to both groups' ideas, guidance, and advice; and
- stimulating preparation of resolutions by the Chapter for presentation to the Council.

In the weeks prior to the Annual Meeting, the councilor and any attending alternates must be certified by the chapter President or Secretary. This is required for the member to have credentials approved by the ACR Credentials Committee for participation in official activities of the Council, especially election of its officers.

At the Annual Meeting of the Council, the councilor's primary duty is to represent the MRS and its respective members. Accordingly, one must be well informed both in the consensus of your colleagues and the workings of the College. Every councilor is obligated, and the alternates are urged, to attend all sessions of the governance pathway in their entirety throughout the annual meeting. Participation of the councilor or alternate councilor at the annual and any special meetings of the Council is expected and is considered essential to the effective functioning of the Council.

Only a member serving as an appropriately credentialed councilor may vote during a meeting of the Council. Voting by proxy is not allowed. *If a credentialed councilor must depart the meeting, that councilor must immediately notify the MRS President and/or the head of the MRS delegation so that credentials can be transferred to an alternate councilor.*

Because MRS has more than one councilor from a chapter attending the meeting, a head of the delegation should be selected. All MRS representatives are seated together at its designated table during sessions of the Council.

REFERENCES: The ACR Bylaws, the Councilor Handbook, and the Vice Speakers Council Orientation.
[MRS Bylaws mirror ACR.]