

# Nuclear Medicine Career Portal for Young Physicians

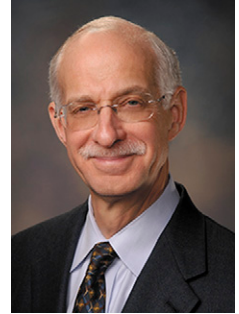
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As part of the “workforce pipeline domain” of the new SNMMI Value Initiative launched at the Annual Meeting in June, the society is developing a new web portal for medical students and young physicians interested in a career in nuclear medicine and molecular imaging. The portal will be accessible through the SNMMI website and will be a single access point for all career-related information, with resources organized specifically for medical students, residents, program directors, educators, and other groups. The portal will include information on nuclear medicine training pathways, including combined programs in nuclear medicine and radiology. Information on the increasing employment opportunities for individuals certified in both nuclear medicine and radiology will be developed. In addition, the site will highlight exciting research that is advancing the field as well as developments in new technology and radiopharmaceuticals. The portal will include professional images and videos of nuclear medicine studies, personal stories, and testimonials emphasizing the importance of nuclear medicine and the ways in which it has made a difference for patients.

The portal will include recruitment and educational resources for program directors and educators and will provide access to a free library of PowerPoint presentations, webinars, videos, and electronic exhibits for physicians who teach nuclear medicine to medical students and residents. Links to open-source educational review

articles and to other websites will be featured. The portal is being developed by a working group cochaired by the authors of this article. Leonie Gordon, MD, and Jon Baldwin, DO, have volunteered to organize the champions group. Other members of the working group are Shana Elman, MD, Erin Grady, MD, Patrick Colletti, MD, and Daniel Lee, MD.

The SNMMI would like to identify at least one individual in every institution with a Nuclear Medicine and Radiology residency program to champion this recruitment and educational effort. The names of these champions will be listed on the portal, with e-mail addresses for site visitors who want more information. Individuals interested in serving on the working group, being a champion, or submitting materials for the portal should contact the SNMMI at [workforce@snmmi.org](mailto:workforce@snmmi.org).



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## Nominations Open for 2 SNMMI Awards

SNMMI Therapy Center of Excellence leadership announced on August 1 the opening of nominations for the 2018 Saul Hertz, MD, Award. The nonmonetary award recognizes the lifetime achievement of an individual who has made outstanding contributions to radionuclide therapy. Hertz was the first to develop experimental data on radioiodine and apply it in the clinical setting to treat hyperthyroidism. Nominations must be from a member of the Therapy Center of Excellence, and the package must include a letter written on behalf of the nominee stating the individual’s qualifications, as well as a curriculum vitae for the nominee. The nomination package should be sent to K. Malaika Walton, Associate Director of Leadership, SNMMI at [mwalton@snmmi.org](mailto:mwalton@snmmi.org) by November 1, 2017.

The SNMMI announced on August 8 the opening of nominations for the 2018 Ursula Mary-Kocemba Slosky, PhD, Professional Relations Fellowship. This fellowship provides

young professionals in nuclear medicine and molecular imaging with direct personal exposure to SNMMI professional/public relations activities as they relate to other medical societies and organizations. Physicians, scientists, or technologists who have completed at least 3 years but not more than 10 years of posttraining experience in the field are eligible. An applicant must be a member of SNMMI or SNMMI-TS, and the application packet must include a curriculum vitae and a statement outlining the applicant’s interest in professional relations and association leadership. Two letters of recommendation in support of the applicant may be submitted but are not required. Candidates selected will be required to travel to the SNMMI office in Reston, VA, in mid-September 2018. Applications can be submitted through the SNMMI website at <http://www.snmmi.org/AboutSNMMI/Content.aspx?ItemNumber=24547&navItemNumber=672> and are due by November 8, 2017.