

Leading ACRO as a member of the Board of Chancellors is a remarkable privilege, but moreover, an immense responsibility. Radiation oncologists and our patients are facing challenges like we've not seen before. During times like these, we need board members who are sober-minded and who understand the root cause of challenges related to reimbursement specifically. Through a process of introspection, I've asked myself whether I am potentially one of the two best candidates, considering the other capable individuals who are running. Ultimately, it is up to you to make that decision. For the reasons here, I believe my experience and familiarity with the processes involved position me particularly well to serve in a manner that highlights the interests of all members.

For the past few years, I have served as the ACRO advisor to the AMA Relative Value Update Committee (RUC). My involvement has opened my eyes beyond what I realized previously. This deeper understanding of code development and valuation is something I've used to advocate for all radiation oncologists, protecting the under-represented community-based practices and larger hospital-based centers as well. Both in ACRO and ASTRO, I've given educational talks on the process of code development and valuation, because I believe we are better advocates when we understand how the system works. I've worked extensively as part of the ACRO GREC team which assesses reimbursement changes each year, having done key parts of the analyses we've shared. Beyond my work in coding and reimbursement, I've served as the deputy-editor-in-chief of *CURiE*, ACRO's journal. I've advocated for new practitioners in particular, offering a supportive editorial approach whenever possible.

Although the Board candidates are all talented, I believe I possess detailed knowledge about matters relevant to every radiation oncologist, and if elected, I will put my heart and soul into serving you.