



TRS 2018-2019 Councils & Committees

TRS Mission: To serve, promote and advance the profession of radiology in Texas.

GOVERNMENT & PRACTICE COUNCIL

Legislative Committee

1. Charge:
 - i. This committee shall anticipate, initiate and review proposed legislation that affects the practice of radiology in the state.
2. Composition & Terms:
 - i. The committee shall be composed of a Chair and three appointed members.
 - ii. The Chair may serve without specific limitation of term, as appointed annually by the President.
 - iii. The three members shall serve staggered three-year terms.
 - iv. The committee may have at-large members as necessary to provide a broad perspective to the committee.

TRS PAC Committee

The TRS PAC is a general-purpose PAC that was established on October 13, 2004. Our mission is to positively impact the future of radiology in Texas by supporting the legislative agenda of the Texas Radiological Society. The TRS PAC is the voice of radiology representing the legislative and political issues that impact the medical practice of Radiology in Texas.

Economics & Practice Committee

1. Charge: This committee shall:
 - i. monitor current trends and changes in state and national healthcare socio-economic policy and their impact upon the technical and professional aspects of the practice of radiology/radiation oncology/medical physics and the impact on patients' access to imaging.
 - ii. assist TRS members in the practice and economics of radiology in accordance with the principles and policies of the ACR.
2. Composition & Terms:
 - i. The committee shall be composed of a Chair and three appointed members.
 - ii. The Chair may serve without specific limitation of term, as appointed annually by the President.
 - iii. The three members shall serve staggered three-year terms.
 - iv. The committee may have at-large members as necessary to provide a broad perspective to the committee.

Managed Care Liaison

(Private Payors: BCBS, Aetna, UHC, etc.)

1. Charge:
 - i. The Liaison shall keep up to date with changes in private payor reimbursements and policies, and interact with the intermediaries of private payors in order to inform the TRS of relevant changes.
2. Composition & Terms:
 - i. The Liaison is appointed to serve a two-year term, and at the end of the two-year term, he/she may succeed him/herself.

Texas Medicaid Liaison's to HHSC

1. Charge:
 - i. The Liaison shall keep up to date with changes in Medicaid reimbursements and policies, and interact with the HHSC staff and inform the TRS of relevant changes.
2. Composition & Terms:

The Liaison is appointed to serve a two-year term, and at the end of the two-year term, he/she may succeed him/herself.

Texas Contractor Advisory Committee (Texas CAC)

The purpose of the CAC is to provide:

- a formal mechanism for physicians to participate in the development of Local Coverage Determinations (LCDs) in an advisory capacity;
 - a mechanism for members, in an advisory capacity, to discuss and improve administrative policies which are within the discretion of Novitas Solutions; and
 - a forum for information exchange and identification of issues between Novitas Solutions and members' constituencies.
1. Charge:
 - i. The Liaisons shall keep up to date with changes in Medicare reimbursement and policies, and interact with the Medicare intermediaries in order to inform the TRS of relevant changes.
 2. Composition & Terms:
 - i. The TRS shall have two Medicare Liaisons, one for Diagnostic Radiology and one for Radiation Oncology, with an Alternate Liaison for each.
 - ii. Liaisons are appointed to serve two-year terms, and at the end of the two-year term, they may succeed themselves.
 - iii. Alternate Liaisons succeed the Liaisons when a vacancy occurs.

Texas Medical Association (TMA) Liaison

The TMA Liaison serves as liaison between the TMA & the TRS. 2 yr. term exp. Dec 31, 2014; renewed thru 2016.

1. Charge:
 - i. Liaisons serve as the TRS' representative to the TMA, attending the annual TMA meeting and all Inter-Specialty Society meetings as a voting delegate of the TMA.
 - ii. Liaisons will provide a report of the appropriate TMA meetings to the Director of the Government & Practice Council.
2. Composition & Terms:
 - i. The TRS shall have a TMA Liaison and an Alternate Liaison to serve as liaisons between the TRS and the TMA. Each must be a member of the TMA.
 - ii. Liaisons are appointed to each serve two-year terms, and at the end of the two-year term, they may succeed themselves.
 - iii. Alternate Liaisons succeed the Liaisons when a vacancy occurs.

EDUCATION COUNCIL

Diagnostic Radiology Program Committee

1. Charge:
 - i. The committee shall be responsible for constructing the Diagnostic Radiology and Resident & Fellow Section educational programs for the annual TRS meeting and inviting all selected speakers while adhering to speaker policies established by the Board of Directors.
2. Composition & Terms:
 - i. The committee shall be composed of three members who are appointed to serve staggered three-year terms, eventually leading to the position of Chair.
 - ii. The committee may have at-large members as necessary to provide a broad perspective to the committee.
 - iii. The Chair of the Resident & Fellow Section shall have ultimate responsibility for the RFS program.

Radiation Oncology/Physics Program Committee

1. Charge:
 - i. The committee shall be responsible for constructing the Radiation Oncology/Medical Physics Program(s) for the annual TRS meeting and inviting all selected speakers while adhering to speaker policies established by the Board of Directors.
2. Composition & Terms:
 - i. The committee shall be composed of select officers of the Radiation Oncology and Medical Physics Sections.
 - ii. The committee may have at-large members as necessary to provide a broad perspective to the committee.

- iii. If the two sections have a joint program, the Radiation Oncology/Physics Program Committee shall be co-chaired by the Vice Chairs of the Radiation Oncology Section and Medical Physics Section. If separate programs are planned, each section Vice Chair will head the respective program committee.

RADIOLOGY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Bylaws & Officers of Sections

- a. The TRS will have three sections: Radiation Oncology Section, Medical Physics Section, and Resident & Fellow Section.
- b. Each section may have separate bylaws, which may augment but not replace, supercede, or contradict the bylaws of the TRS.
- c. Each section shall elect their own officers, develop their own scientific programs, and determine their own socioeconomic interests and business.
- d. Active participation in the affairs of the TRS is encouraged and is a requisite for election to office in the TRS.
- e. The Chair of each section will serve as a voting member of the TRS Board of Advisors.

Radiation Oncology Section (ROS)

The officers of the Section on Radiation Oncology shall consist of the Chair; the Vice-Chair who shall serve as Chair-Elect and as Program Chair; the Immediate Past-Chair; the Secretary-Treasurer; and one Member-at-Large.

Medical Physics Section (MPS)

The officers of the Section on Medical Physics shall consist of the Chair; the Vice-Chair who shall be the Chair-Elect, and who shall serve as the Program Chair; the Immediate Past-Chair; the Secretary-Treasurer; and one Member-at-Large.

Resident Fellow Section (RFS)

The officers of the RFS will be a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary-Treasurer and Rad. Onc. Rep.

RFS Advisory Committee

This committee shall act as a liaison to the Resident Physician Section of the TRS and shall encourage and coordinate Members in Training to participate in the various projects and meetings of the TRS.

Texas Program Director's Committee

This committee shall be composed of Texas Radiology Residency Program Directors and will annually:

- provide recommended categories for the Guiberteau Award for Resident Excellence to the TRS Foundation;
- facilitate improved collaboration and camaraderie among Texas radiology programs; and
- increase awareness among Texas radiology residents of programs offered by the TRS and TRS Foundation.

LEADERSHIP & STRATEGIC PLANNING COUNCIL

Nominating Committee

1. Charge:
 - i. The committee shall present nominations for the offices of Second Vice President, First Vice President, President Elect, President, Treasurer, Councilor(s), Alternate Councilor(s), and members of the following year's Nominating Committee.
2. Nominating Process:
 - i. The list of candidates selected shall be presented to the Board of Directors for approval, and once approved, shall be distributed to the membership no later than ten days prior to the annual membership meeting via the TRS website or other electronic means.
 - ii. Election of the Second Vice President, First Vice President, President Elect, President, Treasurer, Councilor(s), Alternate Councilor(s) and elected members of the following year's Nominating Committee shall occur at the annual membership meeting.
 - iii. Nominations may be made from the floor at the annual membership meeting for any elected position.
 - iv. Election is by a majority vote of the members present and eligible to vote at the annual meeting.
 - v. A run-off between the two candidates receiving the most votes shall be held if no candidate receives a majority

vote on the first ballot.

3. Composition:
 - i. The Nominating Committee shall be composed of the three members of the Trustee Advisory Committee, three members of the TRS, and the Executive Director to serve as Secretary as a non-voting member.
 - ii. The elected members shall serve staggered three-year terms, with one member elected each year at the annual membership meeting.
 - iii. Minutes will be approved at the subsequent meeting of the Nominating Committee and maintained by the TRS.
- * Chapter members elected at business meeting

Trustee Advisory Committee

1. Charge. The Committee shall:
 - i. act as a senior advisory group on the Board of Advisors;
 - ii. serve as the Gold Medal Committee;
 - iii. serve as the Ethics Committee as requested by the Board of Directors, and if so requested, shall investigate ethical allegations, and may recommend denial or revocation of membership.
 - iv. A two-thirds vote of the Trustee Advisory Committee is required to make any recommendation for denial or revocation of membership.
 - v. Trustee Advisory Committee recommendations shall be forwarded directly to the Board of Directors of the TRS.
 - vi. The Board of Directors shall have sole authority to decide on any recommendation for denial or revocation of membership.
2. Composition:
 - i. The committee shall be composed of the Immediate Past President, as Chair, and the preceding two living Presidents.
 - ii. Should the Second or Third Past President not be able to serve, the current President may appoint another Past President to serve instead.

WAYS AND MEANS COUNCIL

Finance Committee

1. Charge. The committee shall:
 - i. have responsibility for oversight and approval of all financial aspects of the TRS, including reviewing any unanticipated expenses of the TRS;
 - ii. Serve as the review committee for periodic reviews of the TRS;
2. Composition:
 - i. The committee shall be composed of the Treasurer, the President, the President Elect, the First Vice President, and the Executive Director who will serve as Secretary as a non-voting member. Minutes will be presented for approval at the subsequent meeting of the Finance Committee and maintained by the TRS.
 - ii. The Treasurer shall serve as Chair.

MEMBER SERVICES & COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL

Membership Committee

1. Charge: This committee shall be responsible for monitoring membership and designing and executing a membership retention and recruitment plan.
2. Composition:
 - i. The committee shall be composed of three members who are appointed to serve staggered three-year terms, eventually leading to the position of Chair.
 - ii. The committee may have at-large members as necessary to provide a broad geographic representation.
 - iii. The committee shall be chaired by the senior member.

Communications Committee

1. Charge. This committee shall:
 - i. oversee communication of radiology-related information to our members and, as needed, the public in general. Communication may take the form of emails, letters, brochures or the TRS website.
 - ii. prepare and publish on a regular basis the TRS newsletter, *The View Box*.

2. Composition:
 - i. Committee membership is determined by the Executive Director and the editor of *The View Box* as needed for each publication or communication.
 - ii. The Chair shall be appointed by the President and shall be the editor of *The View Box*.

Meeting Logistics Committee

1. Charge: This committee shall make recommendations on hotel and special event venues to be approved by the Board of Directors.
2. Composition:
 - i. The Executive Director shall be the Chair of the Meeting Logistics Committee.
 - ii. At least one City Liaison will be appointed from the city where the next annual meeting is to be held.

Historian

1. Charge: The Historian shall:
 - i. maintain a record of the historical events involving radiology in Texas and submit a report for presentation to the annual Board of Advisors meeting for inclusion in the permanent minutes.
 - ii. conduct research on the history of the TRS and its archives as needed.
 - iii. be appointed annually by the President. Re-appointment may occur on an annual basis.

ACR RELATIONS COUNCIL

Fellowship Committee

1. Charge. The committee shall:
 - i. review the membership of the TRS annually for the purpose of identifying members for fellowship in the ACR;
 - ii. review fellowship applications and submit approved applications to the ACR;
2. Composition:
 - i. This committee should be composed of Fellows of the College.
 - ii. The Chief Councilor shall serve as Chair of this committee.
 - iii. If the Chief Councilor is not an ACR Fellow, the Chair shall be appointed by the President.

