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Awarding Winning Radiology Integrated Training Initiative to present at RSNA 2006

The award-winning Radiology Integrated Training Initiative (R-ITI) will present its state-of-the-art radiology training project at the world's largest radiology conference this November.

The 2006 Radiology Society of North America (RSNA) Annual Meeting will be held in Chicago from 26 November to 1 December. RITI's presentation, titled *e-learning in Radiology Training – A National Solution: The Royal College of Radiologists' Integrated Training Initiative*, will focus on how RITI was first developed, the design and delivery of RITI's electronic content, and future applications of the e-learning technology behind the project. The team behind R-ITI was recently named "e-Learning team of the year", at the Second Annual e-Learning Awards in London.

R-ITI is a collaboration between the Royal College of Radiologists, the Department of Health and the NHS, aimed at producing an innovative and 21st century solution to the training of radiologists in the UK. The project has three components: interactive e-learning sessions (eLD) a national resource of validated teaching cases, the Validated Case Archive (VCA) and three training academies in the UK, which have been the leaders in developing this ground-breaking method of training

Professor Janet Husband, President of the College, said, "We are delighted to be presenting R-ITI to an audience of radiologists from around the world, at RSNA 2006. The recent e-Learning award is a testament to the hard work by both the College, which has led the development of R-ITI over the past three years, together with the Department of Health (DH). R-ITI is a genuinely new method of medical training, using an innovative, integrated approach that combines modern methods and technology with the highest standard of traditional teaching. We believe that the R-ITI approach will become ever more vital, and could become a model for other medical specialties to follow."

Alan Ryan, R-ITI project director, said, "We have already seen interest in this approach to training from Australia, Hong Kong and Malaysia and we're sure that there will be great interest in the project from American radiologists when we present the R-ITI project at RSNA 2006'.

Notes to Editors

1. For further information from the Royal College of Radiologists, please contact the College's Communications Office on 020 7299 1138, or dan_garbutt@rcr.ac.uk
2. The Royal College of Radiologists (RCR) has approximately 7,000 members and Fellows worldwide representing the disciplines of clinical oncology and clinical radiology. All members and Fellows of the College are registered medical or dental practitioners.
3. Further information about the Radiology Integrated Training Initiative (R-ITI) is available via the R-ITI website, www.riti.org.uk



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4. The presentation, *e-learning in Radiology Training – A National Solution: The Royal College of Radiologists' Integrated Training Initiative*, will take place on Tuesday 28 November 2006 between 14:15 and 15:45 GMT, at the RSNA conference in Chicago. Presenters will be Professor Janet Husband (President, Royal College of Radiologists), Dr Phil Cook (R-ITI), and Dr Paul Dubbins. Further information from the RSNA website, <http://rsna2006.rsna.org/>