Women in IR news
Winter 2021

Women in IR webinar series
The Women in IR Section is hosting a series of webinars pertaining to the many facets of a career – and life – in interventional radiology. The series began in October with a panel discussion entitled “Why IR?,” moderated by Ava Star, MD and Paula Novelli, MD, FSIR. Participants discussed their paths to the field of interventional radiology. In December, a panel discussion moderated by Barbara Nickel Hamilton, MD spoke to work-life integration, with each woman sharing her own experience managing professional and personal activities. Throughout the conversation, panelists showed that a professionally fulfilling career and an enjoyable life outside of work are simultaneously achievable. WIR webinars are recorded and available at sirweb.org/wir.

Join the next webinar “Experts of IR” on Feb. 25, moderated by Anne E. Gill, MD. This panel is comprised of interventional radiologists discussing how they came to focus their practice on a particular area of IR. Practice areas include IO ablation, hepatobiliary/portal hypertension and UFE. Register here.

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Join Women in IR at SIR 2021 Annual Scientific Meeting on Sunday, March 21 from 1-8 p.m. ET for a robust program including a guest lecture from Geraldine McGinty, MD, MBA, FACP, president of the American College of Radiology. The program also includes the following courses:
- The IR gender gap
- Navigating your career
- COVID-19 in interventional radiology

More information and registration coming soon at sirmeeting.org.

Susan Shamimi-Noori, MD

Dr. Susan Shamimi-Noori is a fierce patient advocate with a passion for education, mentorship and innovation. Having built a cutting edge interventional oncology practice at the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Shamimi-Noori also serves as the Program Director of the Interventional Radiology Residency Programs, associate program director of the Diagnostic Radiology Residency Program and co-founder of the local Women in Radiology chapter. She is actively involved in research and academic-industry collaborations to understand how new technologies in interventional oncology can transform patient care.

Dr. Shamimi-Noori’s journey into interventional radiology stemmed from early interests in science and innovation coupled by her experience as an EMT. She launched her academic career as faculty at Thomas Jefferson University, where she was inspired by a unique, predominantly female group of interventionalist colleagues. Her long term goals are to inspire, educate and give back to future generations of interventional radiologists.

“We know that diversity, including gender diversity, positively impacts both healthcare organizations and scientific discovery,” says Dr. Shamimi-Noori. “I hope to foster in all trainees a passion for interventional radiology early on — not only will our subspecialty benefit, but most importantly, our patients will too.”

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