ACR Distributes Free High-Tech Mammography Education Tool to NY Facilities

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RESTON, Va., Nov. 3, 2010 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- The American College of Radiology (ACR) distributed 1,500 copies of the College's *Mammography Case Review* (*MCR5*) educational CD-ROM free of charge to physicians in approximately 600 ACR-accredited mammography facilities throughout New York State.

Mammography Case Review (*MCR5*), a self-evaluation educational tool, enables physicians to test and improve their skills regarding the detection of cancers and other abnormalities via mammography by allowing them to evaluate multiple cases in a controlled electronic setting, supplementing their real world experience with case types that they may not have previously experienced. "I encourage physicians to take advantage of this interactive educational opportunity to ensure that women in New York State receive the highest quality mammography services," said New York State Health Commissioner Richard F. Daines, MD.

"Mammography has undoubtedly served to reduce breast cancer deaths nationwide and is the gold standard for detection of breast cancer. However, mammograms remain one of the most challenging exams for physicians to interpret. The ACR is proud to offer this important tool to help physicians better interpret this extremely important exam which is of paramount importance in the battle against breast cancer," said ACR Chief Executive Officer Harvey L. Neiman, MD, FACR.

The CD-based *Mammography Case Review* provides instant feedback to the user identifying abnormalities that they may have missed (if any) and prepares them to better detect such abnormalities in the future.

"*Mammography Case Review* enables physicians to sharpen their mammography skills on some of the most challenging cases that they may ever encounter and allows any learning curve to take place online instead of on patients," said ACR Vice-President Lawrence Davis, MD, FACR, interim chair, department of radiology, Long Island J
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