

# 2026 Women in Neuroradiology Leadership Development Scholarship Prospectus

## Description

In 2012, the Foundation of the American Society of Neuroradiology (FASNR), together with the American College of Radiology (ACR), and American Association for Women in Radiology (AAWR), established an award to provide leadership development opportunities for women in neuroradiology. Since neuroradiologists must be leaders in the field, the primary focus of this scholarship award mechanism is to support **mid-career women** with demonstrated experience and promise for future leadership in radiology through administration, education, research and/or practice. The objectives of the scholarship are to provide the recipient with additional leadership and management skills and insights to enhance their individual opportunities for future advancement.

The recipient will receive funding to cover tuition and transportation costs to attend the **2026 Radiology Leadership Institute (RLI) Summit**, October 16 – 18, 2026, at the Emory Conference Center in Atlanta. All other expenditures will be at the expense of the scholarship recipient. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about the 2026 RLI Summit.

## Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must have an MD degree or DO degree, plus a subspecialty certification in Neuroradiology, or its equivalent for international candidates. Applicants must have demonstrated experience and promise for future leadership and management activities in neuroradiology and must be a current member in good standing of ASNR, ACR, and AAWR at the time of submission. The scholarship is targeted towards women approaching transition from assistant to associate professor, or in the early stages of associate professorship if applying from an academic institution. If an applicant is from a private group practice, there should be demonstration of their leadership potential in their practice as well as in medical societies.

## Application Requirements

All applications should include (*applications will only be accepted electronically; no hard copy documents by mail will be accepted*):

- A. Completed application form.
- B. Current curriculum vitae.
- C. A statement from the applicant outlining career goals and objectives and the need for training in leadership and management. Applicants should describe their goals for attending the 2026 RLI Summit, along with a brief description of other local or national leadership conferences that they have attended or are planning to attend. It should be emphasized that this scholarship is intended to cultivate women leaders in neuroradiology, rather than to recognize the achievements of established leaders.

- D. Two (2) letters of support from academic chair, section chief, group president/CEO, medical director, or practice leader and in addition from any leader outside of the applicant’s department or practice but relevant to the leadership area of interest.
- E. **Deadline for receipt of applications and required documentation is 9:00 AM Central Standard Time (CST), Friday, March 20, 2026.** Late applications will not be accepted. Applications and required documentation must be submitted electronically (in .pdf or .doc format) to **Amber Liset at [aliset@asnr.org](mailto:aliset@asnr.org)**. On the subject line, indicate ***Women in Neuroradiology Leadership Development Scholarship***.

**Award Selection Process**

- A. Selection of the award recipient will be in May 2026, with subsequent notification of the scholarship recipient. All those with interest in the award, or employees of an institution that may be involved in the scholarship, shall recuse themselves from the selection process.
- B. The announcement of the award will be made on the Foundation of the ASNR website and promoted to all ASNR members. This will be followed by an announcement on the ACR and AAWR websites.
- C. The recipient will be invited to the President’s Gala at the ASNR 65th Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA, in May 2027.

**Method of Nomination**

- A. Scholarship will be designated and administered by The Foundation of the American Society of Neuroradiology.
- B. The selection of the recipient will be made by the Review Committee, which consists of the Chair(s) of the Foundation of the ASNR as well as a single delegate from both the ACR and the AAWR.

**POST RLI SUMMIT**

Within six (3) months of attending the 2026 RLI Summit, the recipient must submit a brief written summary detailing how attending the 2026 RLI Summit assisted in their professional development, insights gained, etc. *Summaries may be published on the Foundation of the ASNR website and in other promotional communications supported by the ASNR, ACR and AAWR.*

**Past Women in Neuroradiology Leadership Award Recipients**

- 2025: Hedyeh Baradaran, MD, MSc – Columbia University, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2024: Amy Juliano, MD – Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Boston, MA
- 2023: Nikdokht (Niky) Farid, MD – University of California, San Diego, CA
- 2022: Orit A. Glenn, MD – University of California, San Francisco, CA
- 2021: Lubdha Shah, MD – University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT
- 2020: Tabassum A. Kennedy, MD – University Of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

2019: Achala Vagal, MD, MS, FAHA – University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, OH  
2018: Tammie L.S. Benzinger, MD, PhD – Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO  
2017: Alyssa T. Watanabe, MD – USC School of Medicine, Manhattan Beach, CA  
2016: Amy Kotsenas, MD, FACR – Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN  
2015: Erin Simon Schwartz, MD, FACR, FASPNR – Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, PA  
2014: Yvonne W. Lui, MD, FACR – NYU Langone Health, New York, NY  
2013: Pina C. Sanelli, MD, MPH, FACR – North Shore University Hospital at Northwell Health, Manhasset, NY  
2012: Noriko Salamon, MD – David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, Los Angeles, CA