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Kevin D. Evans, PhD, RT(R)(M)(BD), RDMS, RVS, FSDMS, Elected as Chair of the American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography Board of Directors

(ROCKVILLE, MD, October 17, 2011) – The American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography® (ARDMS®), the globally recognized standard of excellence in sonography credentialing, is pleased to announce that Kevin D. Evans, PhD, RT(R)(M)(BD), RDMS, RVS, FSDMS, is the 2011 to 2013 Chair of the Board of Directors. As Chair, Dr. Evans will guide the organization during a period of unprecedented growth and innovation, while steadfastly upholding ARDMS’s long-standing mission of promoting quality care and patient safety through the certification and continuing competency of ultrasound professionals.

“I will be working with an amazing group of volunteers and staff to implement the strategic plan that has been developed for our international growth. I am humbled by the talent within this organization and am excited to work with our ultrasound community to move our profession forward,” said Dr. Evans.

Dr. Evans earned his ARDMS Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer® (RDMS®) credential in 1983 in the specialty areas of Abdomen and Obstetrics/Gynecology sonography. Speaking of his credentials, Dr. Evans remarked, “I have tremendous pride in my profession, and earning an ARDMS credential is an internationally recognized stamp of approval.”

Dr. Evans has served ARDMS in numerous volunteer leadership capacities for more than a decade, including the Board Development Committee (2005–2008), the Certification Committee (2005–2010), the Disciplinary Appeal Panel (2005–2007), the Standing Policies Task Force (2005–2006), the Disciplinary Review Committee (2007–2009), and the Board of Directors (2008–present). Dr. Evans was also an appointed member of the Breast Examination Development Task Force (2000–2005), where he and others were instrumental in setting a standard for nomenclature and thus raising the level of practice for breast sonography. “Volunteering for ARDMS is a very personal commitment and also provides a connection to the rich heritage of our profession,” commented Dr. Evans. “I want to give back to the sonography community, help to enhance the quality of the ARDMS examinations, and guide the organization to higher levels of performance.”

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Dr. Evans has earned his BS, MS, MA, and PhD degrees from The Ohio State University and currently serves as Director of the Radiologic Sciences and Therapy Division and Associate Professor at the School of Allied Medical Professionals for the same institution. As both an educator and researcher, Dr. Evans has been lauded with more than 20 awards, including the Dr. Kenneth Gottesfeld Award for Excellence in Writing (2001, 2007, 2009, and 2010), the Donald Milburn National Service Award in Sonography (2008), and the GE Healthcare Excellence in Sonography Award (2008). He has also received over $500,000 in grant funding for research. His volunteer commitments extend beyond ARDMS, as Dr. Evans has held more than 25 leadership positions for local, national, and international sonography organizations. Dr. Evans has written more than 50 papers and journal articles; authored more than a dozen books, monographs and chapters; and given literally hundreds of presentations at forums around the world.
ARDMS CEO and Executive Director, Dale R. Cyr said, “All of us at ARDMS look forward to the honor of working with Kevin Evans during his tenure as Chair of the ARDMS Board of Directors. Dr. Evans’s leadership will be a required asset for ARDMS’ continued growth and to meet the organization’s mission.”

Dr. Evans is the twenty-second Chair of the ARDMS Board of Directors and follows Patricia Maxwell Patterson, RDMS, RVT, RT, who held the two-year term from 2009 to 2011.

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The American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography® (ARDMS®), incorporated in June 1975, is an independent, nonprofit organization that administers examinations and awards credentials in the areas of diagnostic medical sonography, diagnostic cardiac sonography, vascular technology and physician vascular interpretation. In 2012, ARDMS will release a new credential in the area of musculoskeletal sonography. The existing ARDMS credentialing programs are accredited by ANSI-ISO 17024 and the National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA). ARDMS has more than 73,000 certified individuals in the U.S., Canada, and throughout the world and is the recognized international standard in sonography credentialing.