ACER Achievement Award

Priscilla J. Slanetz, MD, MPH

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It is with immense respect and gratitude that we bestow the 2020 ACER Achievement Award upon Priscilla J. Slanetz, MD, MPH. Dr. Slanetz is a clinician, teacher, researcher, mentor, role-model, and sponsor extraordinaire. Truly, she embodies the ACER mission of promoting and advancing the careers of clinician-educators.

Dr. Slanetz earned her medical doctorate and master’s in public health degrees and subsequently completed her radiology residency and breast imaging fellowship at the Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School where she was awarded the AAWR Distinguished Resident in Diagnostic Radiology. Over the next 22 years, she developed and built her career at institutions such as Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Tufts University School of Medicine, and Boston University School of Medicine, where she is currently Professor of Radiology.

While she works clinically as a breast imager, Dr. Slanetz is a passionate educator. Her radiology education scholarly activities have been supported by numerous grants resulting in publications and enduring resources for clinician educators. In addition to prolific personal contributions to the radiology literature, she has thrice been the Co-Guest Editor of the Education Issue and is currently the Deputy Editor for Education for Academic Radiology ensuring wide dissemination of the most contemporary radiology education work.

Dr. Slanetz has held numerous committee leadership positions within AUR and its affinity groups. She has been an ACER member since 2011, ascending to President in 2017. She developed popular ACER programs including Peer Observation and Speed Mentoring at the annual meetings. Throughout her career, she has had nearly 80 mentees, and countless others who she has informally mentored, over the years, at least 7 of whom are now active in the academic radiology community. Because she is leaving an indelible imprint upon academic radiology, Priscilla Slanetz, MD, MPH is most deserving of the 2020 ACER Achievement Award.