

RADIOLOGY @ NJMS

“OUR INCLUSIVENESS IS INTENTIONAL BECAUSE EXCELLENCE REQUIRES A DIVERSE COMMUNITY...”

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In 1974, my father immigrated to the United States from South Asia with a few dollars in his pocket. In the society he came from, boys were given an elevated status in comparison to girls and great importance was bestowed on having a son. Regardless of cultural norms, my father placed high value on educating his children to their highest potential and was not deterred by having only daughters. I am the youngest of his 3 daughters, all of whom graduated with their medical doctorate from New Jersey Medical School (NJMS). After residency and fellowship, I returned to NJMS as an attending radiologist. I currently serve as Division Chief of Diagnostic Imaging in the Department of Radiology. Having a leadership role in a safety net hospital empowers me to advocate for the cause I am most passionate about – disparities in healthcare delivery. Being a female leader also helps me to continue my father’s legacy of gender equality as it

positions me as a role model and resource for women pursuing a career in radiology, a specialty in which women have historically been significantly underrepresented.

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Growing up in Ecuador and being surrounded by poverty, I knew early on that I wanted to pursue a career in medicine so that I could help those in need. When I came to the United States to complete my residency at New Jersey Medical School, I fell in love with this institution and its patients. I have been practicing as an attending radiologist specializing in breast imaging for the past 9 years. As a Hispanic radiologist, I have been able to connect with my patients through commonality in culture and language. Many of my patients are faced with a diagnosis of breast cancer and I find incredible personal satisfaction in being a resource for them when they are afraid and at times alone. There are no words to describe how I feel when I receive their gratitude through hugs and kisses.



About Rutgers New Jersey Medical School

Rutgers New Jersey Medical School (NJMS) is part of Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences, one of the country’s largest academic health centers. NJMS is dedicated to excellence in education, research, clinical care, and community outreach. Some pertinent facts:

- NJMS has 21 academic departments and many world-renowned scientists and doctors.
- In 2015, NJMS was named #1 in the state for NIH funding.
- NJMS is located in Newark, NJ, where African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, and Asian/Pacific Islanders comprise more than 90 percent of the city’s population and face many socioeconomic, educational, and health challenges.
- Underrepresented minorities made up 23 percent of the medical school’s enrollment in 2017-2018.
- NJMS ranks in the 80th percentile for underrepresented minority graduates and 85th percentile for minority faculty, according to the 2014 AAMC Missions Management Tool.