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Marcela Böhm-Vélez, M.D., FACR received her B.S. degree from Washington and Jefferson College and an M.D. degree from the Medical College of Pennsylvania in 1981. She completed an internal medicine internship at Mercy Hospital and a diagnostic radiology residency at St. Francis Medical Center, followed by a fellowship in Body Imaging and Mammography at The Western Pennsylvania

Hospital, where she served as Chief of Ultrasound and Director of the Fellowship in Body Imaging until 1999.

Dr. Böhm-Vélez joined Weinstein Imaging Associates in 1999. Her areas of expertise include mammography and gynecological, obstetrical, interventional and vascular ultrasound.

She organizes seminars and lectures extensively at national and international conferences. She has published a book, several chapters, and numerous scientific papers that are used as reference materials in medical practice.

She is an active participant in the ultrasound and mammography accreditation process for the American College of Radiology. She served as chair of the ACR's Appropriateness Criteria Expert Panel on Women's Imaging that reported on ovarian cancer screening and suspected adnexal masses. Some of the numerous other Appropriateness Criteria reports to her credit include palpable breast masses, breast microcalcifications, and stage I breast cancer.

Dr. Böhm-Vélez currently holds a position as Assistant Professor of Radiology at the University of Pittsburgh and has served as President of the Pennsylvania Radiological Society. She is also a Diplomate of the American Board of Radiology and a Fellow of the American College of Radiology, of the Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound, and of the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine. As a member of the Medical Advisory Board of Medipattern Corporation, she is involved in researching the value of computer-aided detection in breast sonography.

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Thomas S. Chang, M.D., FACR received his Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and his M.D. degree from Washington University in St. Louis. He then completed a medicine internship at Pennsylvania Hospital and a radiology residency at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, both in Philadelphia, and a body imaging fellowship at The Western Pennsylvania Hospital. He became certified as a Diplomate of the American Board of Radiology in 1990 and a Fellow of the American College of Radiology in 2006.

For nine years, he specialized in all aspects of women's imaging as a radiologist at Magee-Women's Hospital, where he also briefly served as Interim Medical Director, and at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC). During that time, he was an Assistant Professor of Radiology at the University of Pittsburgh, where he received a "Teacher of the Year" award. He has been with Weinstein Imaging Associates since 2000.

To his credit are numerous publications and presentations at national conferences. Dr. Chang is a film reviewer for the Mammography Accreditation Program of the American College of Radiology. He is a manuscript reviewer and a member of the Editorial Advisory Panel for the *American Journal of Roentgenology*, one of the key journals in the field of Radiology.

He has served as President of both the Mammographers' Society of Pittsburgh and the Pittsburgh Roentgen Society. In the Pennsylvania Radiological Society, his positions include Councilor, Editor of the *Bulletin*, and former member of the Board of Directors.

His achievements have earned him listings in *Who's Who in America*, *Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare*, and *Guide to America's Top Radiologists*.

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Michelle R. Straka, M.D. earned her B.S. degree in Molecular and Cell Biology from The Pennsylvania State University and her M.D. degree from Georgetown University. She performed her first two years of radiology residency at Georgetown University Medical Center and completed her residency at The Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

Her residency was followed by a subspecialty fellowship in Women's Imaging, which included Mammography, Ultrasound, and MRI, at The Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

She is a Diplomate of the American Board of Radiology and her professional memberships include the American College of Radiology, American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine, Radiological Society of North America, Pennsylvania Radiological Society, and Allegheny County Medical Society.

She is active in the local women's imaging community. Prior to joining Weinstein Imaging Associates in 2002, she was a staff Radiologist at St. Clair Hospital and at UPMC Southside, where she served as Director of Breast Imaging.

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Barbara H. Ward, M.D. received her Bachelor's degree in Psychology from Duke University. After partnering in the creation of a successful and still-growing small business, as well as raising a family, she continued her studies and became a Certified Physician's Assistant.

While working for the Department of Surgery at St. Francis Hospital, she decided to progress further in her medical studies and subsequently received her M.D. from the University of Pittsburgh in 1993. She then completed a Diagnostic Radiology residency and fellowship in Women's Imaging at The Western Pennsylvania Hospital.

After a year in private practice at The Washington Hospital, Dr. Ward returned to West Penn Hospital where, in 2001, she became Director of the Breast Diagnostic Imaging Center and later served as Director of the Radiology Residency Program.

Dr. Ward joined Weinstein Imaging Associates in 2005. She brings to the practice additional expertise in mammography and breast interventional procedures, as well as obstetrical, gynecologic, and vascular ultrasound.

She has lectured at national and international conferences and is President of the Board of Directors of the Greater Pittsburgh Unit of the American Cancer Society and a film reviewer for the Mammography Accreditation Program of the American College of Radiology. Dr. Ward is also Chairman of the Mammography Voucher Program and has served as President of the Pittsburgh Roentgen Society and Vice-President of the Board of Directors of the Greater Pittsburgh Unit of the American Cancer Society. She became a Diplomate of the American Board of Radiology in 1997.