## COVID-19: The Global Impact and the Role of the Radiologists in the Evolving Pandemic

These are difficult times for Canadians as COVID-19 sweeps the nation. Reports of confirmed cases are on a steading incline. While Canada's health system is working diligently to minimize the spread of COVID-19, front-line healthcare providers are working around the clock to help care for infected patients and manage the virus.

Radiologists have an important role to play in the diagnosis and assessment of COVID-19. The Canadian Association of Radiologists (CAR) has taken a leadership position in the management of COVID-19 and is following the scientific evidence closely. We are working with our members and national partner organizations including the Canadian Society of Thoracic Radiology, Canadian Society of Breast Imaging and the Canadian Association of Interventional Radiology to provide recommendations on the management of the novel corona 19 virus. We are connected with the radiology community and are receiving daily updates on the status of COVID-19 across the country. We have been in constant communication with our members and are responding to their needs to help prepare them to care for patients during this global pandemic. As such we have created a COVID-19 resource page on our website (hyperlink). This page is updated daily with new information and is a valuable reference for not only radiologists but for all Canadians regarding the impact of medical imaging in the management of COVID-19.

## Learn More About Medical Imaging and COVID-19

While there are important lessons learned from other jurisdictions, there is still much unknown about the virus. The CAR is working with Health Canada to provide information, which will facilitate the management and minimize the spread of COVID-19. We hope that sharing this information will be useful for everyone in order to tackle this health crisis together. For more information consult: car.ca.