Nomination of Kevin Nelson, Ph.D., for IRPA Executive Council 2024-2028.

The Health Physics Society (HPS) is pleased to support the nomination of Kevin Nelson, Ph.D., to the IRPA Executive Council for the term 2024-2028. His CV is attached. Since becoming a radiation protection professional in 1980, Kevin has served in academic, regulatory, manufacturing, and medical roles. For nearly three decades, Kevin has served as a medical health physicist and Radiation Safety Officer at Mayo Clinic, a well-known medical institution in the United States. He received his board certification from the American Board of Health Physics in 1992.

Kevin served as President of HPS and on many HPS committees including Finance, Strategic Planning, Legislation & Regulation and Scientific & Public Issues. He was awarded the HPS Fellow Award in 2008.

Most recently, Kevin has had the privilege of serving as the IRPA Vice President for Congress Affairs in a COVID-shortened term from 2021-2024.

Dr Nelson's statement of motivation is attached.

Kevin Nelson State of Motivation

Serving as the IRPA Vice President for Congress Affairs for the past 3 years has been one of the highlights of my professional career. I have a much deeper understanding of the role IRPA plays in the radiation protection community. Overall support for Associate Society members, radiation protection guidance, training and interaction with other radiation protection societies are but a few of the activities IRPA performs for its 18,000 members in 53 associate societies but I believe we can still do more.

If elected to the IRPA EC, I would focus my attention in two main areas. First, as I approach the end of my career, I am strongly motivated to look for opportunities to pass the knowledge I have gained to the next generation of radiation protection professionals. To this end, I've been working with the IRPA YGN to develop an IRPA mentoring guidance document that could assist AS members. Secondly, for most of my professional career I've worked in large medical, education and research centers. I believe there is a need from Associate Society members for radiation protection education and training in the medical field on a variety of topics. Advances in technology now allow us the opportunity to provide this education and training in new and innovative ways.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Nomination submitted on 05-Mar-2024 by:

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