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Jatinder Palta is the Chairman of Medical Physics at the Department of Radiation Oncology, Virginia Commonwealth University and National Chief of Physics in the office of VHA National Radiation Oncology Program. Palta is an internationally recognized expert for his clinical research and educational activities in advanced radiotherapy techniques, quality assessment, and quality assurance. He has contributed significantly to the fields of radiation oncology and medical physics through research, inventions, over 200 journal articles and book chapters, teaching, clinical services, the mentoring of younger colleagues, and outreach activities. He is a recipient of the William D. Coolidge Gold Medal from the American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM). This is the highest award given by the AAPM to an individual who has exhibited a distinguished and eminent career in medical physics, and who has exerted a significant impact on the practice of medical physics. Palta's professional career is now focused on enhancing the quality and safety of radiotherapy. He is developing and implementing programs that will ensure safe and effective radiation treatment for US Veterans and bring Veterans Health Administration Radiation Oncology Services to a position of global excellence.

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