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Philosophy of Care

As the section chief of Breast Imaging, I believe that breast cancer screening, detection and diagnosis must be offered in a professional, yet warm and supportive environment that reduces anxiety for the women we serve.

The staff, technologists and physicians work as a team to achieve this goal. I believe strongly in patient/radiologist direct communication and I encourage discussion with patients when they are seen for possible signs or symptoms of breast cancer.

Clinical Interests

A leading advocate for women's health, Dr. Lindfors works locally and nationally to promote patient and health-care professional education and early detection of breast cancer. Dr. Lindfors is researching the development of new methods to screen for breast cancer, including dedicated breast CT and breast tomosynthesis.

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Residency Chief Resident in Diagnostic Radiology, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston MA 1982-1983

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Board Certifications American Board of Radiology, 1983

Professional Memberships American College of Radiology
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California Radiological Society
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Honors and Awards Fellow of the American College of Radiology, 2015
American Board of Radiology Volunteer Service Award, 2014
University of California, Davis School of Medicine, Dean's Team Award for Excellence in Research, 2014

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