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Dallas, TX



11 Years in Practice

### *Practice/National Leadership Activities*

- President of American Radiology Associates
- Co- Lead Physician for the Baylor Scott and White Health Radiology Quality Committee

### *If you had to give one piece of advice to trainees considering private practice vs academics what would it be?*

Look closely at the corporate structure and find out how much say the physicians have in the decision making. Whether it is academia or private practice, you should look for the opportunities that allow and encourage physician leadership.

### *Interesting Facts & Hobbies*

I had 3 kids during post-graduate training and lived to tell about it. This is not a recommendation!

### *Why did you decide to join private practice?*

I am a firm believer that medicine should be run by doctors and not bureaucrats. Whether it is academia, a large healthcare company, or private equity, the ones making the final decisions are business people and not physicians. I think that the continued corporatization of medicine will be bad for physicians and even worse for patients. The future of medicine depends on the maintenance of strong private practices across all medical specialties.

### *What is your favorite thing about private practice?*

I love that I am a small business owner which allows me to have a say in the decisions that the company makes. It can definitely result in more work at times, but I never want to have to make a decision for a patient based on what the corporate bosses tell me I have to do. I love that I can practice medicine the way that I believe is best for my patients and my fellow radiologists.