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Saint Luke's Cancer
Institute



Kansas City, KS & MO



8 Years in Practice

Practice/National Leadership Activities

- Current President of the Kansas Radiological Society

Why did you decide to join private practice?

I was drawn to the flexibility of private practice (schedule, clinical responsibilities, etc) and the ability to focus on clinical practice.

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

I would encourage trainees to gain as much experience as they can in each modality and sub-specialty if considering private practice. Outside of academia, it can be hard to find a position in which you practice a sub-specialty exclusively. Get comfortable with all aspects of radiology, as a private practice position may require it. That being said, the flexibility that private practice can provide is a distinct advantage.

What is your favorite thing about private practice?

I am currently employed in a hybrid practice model of mostly private practice with light academic duties. What I love most about my job is this hybrid structure—it really is the best of both worlds. I love my daily clinical duties as a breast radiologist, which include plenty of patient interaction and procedures, but also enjoy the opportunities I have to interact with and teach residents.

Interesting Facts & Hobbies

I love sports—watching, listening to commentary about, and playing them. My favorites are college football, golf and tennis.