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Since 2013, Monica Huang, M.D., has called MD Anderson home. An alumna of the Breast Imaging Fellowship Program, founder and director of the Breast Cryoablation Program and associate professor in the Department of Breast Imaging, Huang is grateful for the opportunities MD Anderson has provided and the inspiration she finds from her patients and colleagues.

"I am extremely grateful for the opportunity and the honor to serve MD Anderson patients with breast cancer," Huang says.

Huang received her Doctor of Medicine degree in 1994 from Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. She remained at Baylor from 1994 – 1999, completing a transitional year internship and then a clinical residency in diagnostic radiology. Following her time at Baylor, Huang completed a clinical fellowship in body crosssectional imaging at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia. In 2000, she made her way back to the Texas Medical Center, where she pursued private practice dedicated to body and breast imaging and interventions for over a decade.

"Even though I had over a decade of clinical experience, to gain knowledge regarding the most up-to-date and innovative research and treatment for breast cancer, I decided to pursue additional education at MD Anderson," Huang says.

It was in 2013 that Huang joined MD Anderson as a fellow in the Department of Breast Imaging, Division of Diagnostic Imaging, where she focused on breast imaging and interventions. Upon completing her fellowship in 2014, Huang joined MD Anderson as a faculty member in Breast Imaging.

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"I am currently working on research studies on breast cryoablation, expanding the clinical role of breast cryoablation in breast cancer treatment, and educating the medical community on breast cryoablation," says Huang, who created MD Anderson's Breast Cryoablation Program in 2021 and now serves as its director. "MD Anderson has provided me with an environment to practice leading edge medicine with unparalleled leadership and faculty support."

Family, friends and patients were the inspiration behind Huang's decision to pursue a subspeciality of breast imaging. She wants to inspire prospective students and trainees in the same way and encourages them to pursue training at MD Anderson.

"Come to MD Anderson to learn, train and work so that you may take part in leading edge cancer care," Huang says. "My fellowship training helped me launch innovative research on breast cancer treatment and diagnosis and a program dedicated to cryoablation treatment for breast cancer."

Outside of work, Huang enjoys traveling with her family, cooking for them and practicing yoga.

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