

Erika P. Hamilton, M.D.
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Dr. Hamilton received her undergraduate degree from Washington and Lee University in Virginia in neuroscience where she was a six-time All American winner in tennis. While at Washington and Lee she served on the NCAA Student Athlete Advisory Committee and the NCAA Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspect of Sport committee. She was a recipient of an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship and then completed her medical degree and residency from University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. She received her fellowship training in hematology and oncology from Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, where she was recognized as a Top 5 Finalist for Duke's Annual House staff Fellow Teaching Award. Dr. Hamilton is board certified in both internal medicine and oncology.

She joined Sarah Cannon Research Institute (SCRI) as investigator in drug development with a women's cancer focus in 2013. In 2015 she became the director of the breast cancer research program and gynecologic cancer research program. This role includes not only managing the research program locally in Nashville, but also across SCRI's other strategic sites to include Tennessee Oncology- Nashville, Kansas City, and Florida Cancer Specialists. In addition to caring for patients with breast and gynecologic cancers in the clinic, she is also an investigator for Phase I, II, and III clinical trials. She is also a partner within Tennessee Oncology.

Dr. Hamilton is the past chair of the Cancer Committee, member of the Oncology Department Committee, and is currently appointed to the Professional Practice Evaluation Committee at Centennial Medical Center for the past 3 years. Internationally, for the '19-'20 term she is the Chair of ASCO's (American Society of Clinical Oncology) Scientific Committee for Metastatic Breast Cancer and has served on that committee as a member for the past 3 years.

She lives in Brentwood, TN with her husband Justin who is a pilot in the United States Air Force, their two daughters Patten (5) and Ellis (2), and her mother Jennifer who is a breast cancer survivor.

Relevant Topics and Expertise:

- Women's cancers {including breast and gynecology}
- Drug development {early stage research and clinical trials}
- Late stage clinical trials {breast and gynecologic}