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Residency	Internal Medicine, Rush Presbyterian-St Luke's Medical Center, Chicago IL 1994-1996
Fellowships	Hematology-Oncology, UC Davis School of Medicine, Sacramento CA 1996-1999
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Honors and Awards

Best Doctors, SacTown Magazine, 2021
Best Doctors, Sacramento Magazine, 2020
Named one of the nation's Best Doctors in Oncology, 2011-present (Best Doctors Inc./Sacramento Magazine), 2021
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