



Making Cancer History®

## **Our Commitment**

Our mission is to end cancer in Texas, the nation and world. Accomplishing that mission requires brilliance, creativity, commitment, excellence, passion and drive. And it will take all of us – teams here at MD Anderson and people around the globe – for success to be achieved.

We often call MD Anderson the “United Nations of oncology.” Our 21,000 cancer fighters hail from more than 100 countries, and our Global Academic Program, which accelerates scientific exchange through meaningful international partnerships, includes 19 Sister Institutions in 15 countries – all working closely with our faculty to exchange ideas that enhance cancer research.

Collaboration is an integral part of research. It is the lifeblood that enriches our mission and breaks down geographic and population silos to produce discovery that benefits humanity. International collaboration is catalytic. We celebrate and support it wholeheartedly.

One example is our Visiting Scientist Program, which offers an opportunity for highly qualified individuals to join our institution for the purpose of mutual learning and benefit. At present, 40 researchers from seven countries are participating in this prestigious program. And in the last five years, more than 730 participants from 15 countries have worked alongside our teams. Programs like these truly are fueling our collective efforts to end cancer.

As a state institution and the recipient of federal research funding, we carry significant societal responsibility to comply with required rules and regulations. We take our commitment to taxpayers and the donors who support us very seriously, and we will never shy away from our responsibilities.

At MD Anderson, we abide by our core values of Caring, Integrity and Discovery. We want to reinforce that MD Anderson is inclusive of all people. Our culture does not tolerate discrimination of any type, for any reason. And we are guided by a strong moral compass for every decision we make.

Together, with colleagues, collaborators, partners, patients, loved ones and friends, we are a community focused on a shared mission. No challenge – big or small – will stop our collective resolve to defeat cancer. Humanity is counting on us.

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