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Shekinah Elmore, MD, MPH is an Assistant Professor, researcher, and radiation oncologist at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill who is dedicated to pursuing equity and empathy in oncology care. She is a cancer survivor with experience treading the line between patient and provider and has spoken about this at TEDMED 2020 and written in *Elemental*, the Journal of the American Medical Association, and the

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During her time at Harvard Medical School, she received a Fulbright grant to work with Partners in Health in Rwanda to explore the patient experience of cancer care. While completing the Harvard Radiation Oncology Residency Program, she focused on understanding and improving radiotherapy access in resource-limited settings and promoting pathways for resident involvement in improving global radiotherapy. She has published on these themes in the *Journal of Global Oncology* and the *International Journal of Radiation Oncology, Biology, and Physics*. She lives in Chapel Hill, NC with her husband, Adam Cluff, and their toddler, William Isaiah.