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**What factors influenced your decision to become a physician and your choice of specialty?**

There were two reasons: my best friend's father was a physician, along with a desire to help people. I liked Ob-Gyn because of the younger, healthier, and happy people. I enjoyed delivering babies.

**Did you experience a defining moment that made you feel you had become a physician?**

There were many moments that were fulfilling and it's difficult to list a single one – the gratitude from patients was very rewarding.

**As you were training to be a physician, what one piece of advice was most valuable to you?**

First, do no harm! Treat patients as you would like to be treated.

**What is the most significant medical innovation you experienced in your years of practice?**

Operative laparoscopy.