

Blackmon Short Bio 2021

Shanda H. Blackmon, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.C.S., is a minimally invasive thoracic surgeon. She completed Cardiothoracic Surgery Residency at Baylor College of Medicine, in Houston, Texas. She was awarded the Clinical Instructorship position in thoracic surgical oncology at MDACC, until she was recruited to build and lead the Division of Thoracic Surgery at Houston Methodist Hospital. Dr. Blackmon was Chief of Thoracic Surgery at Houston Methodist Hospital for eight years, serving as the Director of the Thoracic Tumor Board and Director of the Lung Cancer Screening Program. She has led esophageal support groups for 16 years. She has now joined Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN, where she currently practices in the Division of Thoracic Surgery. She holds a patent for a novel esophageal anastomotic device, leads the Mayo Clinic Esophageal Tumor Board, started the Lung Ablation Tumor Board and developed the UDD App, which is a virtual patient management platform for foregut surgery and post-esophageal reconstruction patients. She has developed a specialized team for complex esophageal reconstruction. She is the Thoracic Surgery Champion for 3D anatomic modeling for complex thoracic resections. She serves as the Medical Director of Mayo Clinic Consumer Platforms, working to advance the overall digital strategies and product roadmaps across the flagship properties that are part of Mayo Clinic's digital ecosystem. She is Board-certified by ABS & ABTS, currently has the rank of Professor at Mayo Clinic, Rochester. She serves on the following boards or councils: TSF, STS, WTS, ATS, and STSA. Dr. Blackmon has published over 200 peer-reviewed manuscripts, given over 200 oral presentations, is internationally recognized, has published more than 100 instructional videos (@ShandaBlackmon for Twitter & <https://www.youtube.com/c/ShandaBlackmon/videos>). She is a former Deputy Editor for The Annals of Thoracic Surgery. She is the Past-President of Women in Thoracic Surgery, former Secretary/Treasurer of TSF, current Secretary/Treasurer of STSA, and serves as a Council Chair for the Board of Directors for STS.



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