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Cassandra is the health education manager for MD Anderson's Department of Health Disparities Research. With more than 35 years of experience in health education and community engagement, Ms. Harris is often the face of MD Anderson and the community's go-to person when they need help in connecting with individuals and resources.

In addition to her role in connecting MD Anderson researchers with diverse communities for research collaborations to prevent cancers and improve health, Mrs. Harris has chaired the National Black Leadership Initiative on Cancer's Houston Coalition since 2002. Ms. Harris is a past member of Komen's Education Committee volunteer. She contributed to the planning of Komen's 2016 and 2017 African American Health Equity Initiative conferences and coordinated focus-groups with African American women to obtain feedback which lead to the creation of Komen's landscape analysis to address breast cancer disparities in the Greater Houston area.

Mrs. Harris has held local, state, national and international leadership positions of service. She has longstanding relationships in the Houston community, has collaborated with coalitions, African American health ministries, community organizations and support groups to understand and find solutions to reduce cancer health disparities.