

INFLUENTIAL WOMEN OF PHILADELPHIA



Kaeleigh Butynski, Ivory Tree Portraits
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Dr. Deanna Brasile has spent fourteen years at Main Line Fertility doing something the field rarely rewards: refusing to standardize. In a specialty where clinics default to protocol, she builds individualized plans for every patient, drawing on history, personal goals, and the understanding that no two fertility journeys should ever be treated the same.

She grew up in a medical household – her father a physician, her mother an ICU nurse – and moved through OB-GYN into reproductive endocrinology because nothing else combines the science and the stakes quite the same way. Pre-implantation genetic testing, advances in egg freezing, expanding care for LGBTQ

patients and those preserving fertility before gender-affirming hormone therapy: It's a type of work that builds families, and patients from all across the country find their way to Dr. Brasile for her results-driven, relationships-first approach.

"My patients are trusting me with their biggest hopes and dreams, so this isn't just medicine for me," she says. "I treat my patients like they're my friends and my family."

While she directs Main Line's egg freezing program and has published research on diminished ovarian reserve, her clinical instincts prevent her from overrelying on numbers alone. She's watched couples with textbook labs struggle while others

conceive against the odds. She also actively encourages women in their twenties to freeze their eggs long before the question feels urgent – a safety net, she argues, the field is still too slow to offer.

"I fell in love with fertility medicine because of the joy that comes with helping people build families," she says. "The science is always evolving, and everyone on our team pursues excellence because we know the work we're doing brings futures to life."

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