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Dr. Terri Alani is a woman's woman: smart, good-looking, and real. The media likes her, too; for the past three years, she's been a monthly guest on Great Day Houston with Debra Duncan and is also a weekly panelist for "Medical Mondays" on CBS' Houston affiliate, KHOU channel 11. Her television appearances inform about everything from periodontal disease to cosmetic dentistry. Radio also taps her nearly 30-year expertise as talk-show host with her brother, orthopedic surgeon, Dr. Wayne Alani. Together they discuss health-related topics every Tuesday at 1 p.m. on

CNN 650 AM. The show has become a sounding board recently for healthcare reform and even though it's a lively entertaining show, on its serious side, the experience Alani says, influences her practice.

"We look at our patients' overall health to solve their dental issues," she says.

Root canals to gum treatments are still important functions of her office, but Dr. Alani's special interest is in aesthetic dentistry. She has recently generated a huge amount of interest as a leading provider of Snap On Smile, which is an instant million-dollar-smile makeover appliance fitting over existing teeth. It gives an appearance of perfect, straight whites. The appliance is removable and a less expensive alternative to complete dental makeovers involving multiple procedures. Dr. Alani's aesthetic work also incorporates Veneers, ZOOM Whitening, and Invisalign.

She's a former Texas Aggie who has created a successful practice in Houston one smile at a time.

"A beautiful smile speaks when you don't," she says and that motto, as well as a priority on patient care, has led to a multitude of referrals. "I have a very personable and experienced staff that makes the patient feel very comfortable when they walk in the door. Communication is the key to our success."