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*"I hope this is the moment when society says, **It doesn't have to be this way. We can change the opportunities experienced in early childhood for all children. Let's get started.**"*

"Changing the Conversation about Early Childhood Development" November 2015, AFRO.com

Renée Boynton-Jarrett is a practicing primary care pediatrician at Boston Medical Center, a social epidemiologist, and the founding director of the Vital Village Community Engagement Network.

Through the [Vital Village Network](#), she is supporting the development of community-based strategies to promote child well-being in three Boston neighborhoods.

She joined the faculty at Boston University School of Medicine in 2007 and is currently an Associate Professor of Pediatrics. She received her AB from Princeton University, her MD from Yale School of Medicine, ScD in Social Epidemiology from Harvard School of Public Health, and completed residency in Pediatrics at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Her work focuses on the role of early-life adversities as life course social determinants of health. She has a specific interest in the intersection of community violence, intimate partner violence, and child abuse and neglect and neighborhood characteristics that influence these patterns.

She was honored by the Massachusetts Public Health Association with the Paul Revere Award for outstanding impact on public health in 2015 and she is featured in the signature hour of "The Raising Of America" documentary series.

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