

Biographical Statement for Velma McBride Murry, Ph.D.



Dr. Velma McBride Murry holds the Lois Autrey Betts Endowed Chair, previously held an appointed position of Associate Provost, Research and Innovation, currently serves as Co-Director, The Vanderbilt Institute for Clinical and Translational Research, Community Engagement Research Core, Vanderbilt University Medical Center Program for Health Equity Research (PHER), and is a University Distinguished Professor in Departments of Health Policy [*Vanderbilt*

School of Medicine] and Human and Organizational Development [*Peabody College*]. She is Past President of the *Society for Research on Adolescence* and current President of *The International Consortium of Developmental Science Societies*. McBride Murry is one of the 100 elected members to the *2020 Class of the National Academy of Medicine*. She is an appointed standing member of *National Institutes of Health National Advisory Mental Health Research Council*. Her research examines the significance of context to everyday life experiences of African American families and youth, focusing on processes through which racism, and other social structural stressors, cascade through families to influence parenting and family functioning, developmental outcomes, and adjustment among youth, during critical developmental periods from middle childhood through young adulthood.

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