

**Linda Washington-Brown, FAANP, FAAN, MFP
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Dr. Linda Washington-Brown is a nationally certified Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), who has provided multiple educational seminars to over 1000 participants nationally and across south Florida that included healthcare professionals and interested community members on the corona virus and vaccine confidence. She is the president and director of Xspurt Provider Services, a telehealth mobile nurse practitioner medical service, since 1999, retired founding Associate Dean for the RN to BSN Program at Broward College, and Vaccine Program Coordinator at the Caring Place (Miami Rescue Mission) Clinic.

Linda is a Fellow in the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (FAANP), Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN), post-Doctoral Fellow, the University of Pennsylvania's International Center for Women, Children and Families, the Center for Urban Studies and the W.E.B. Dubois Policy Fellows Program Collective Research Institute, and an American Nurses Association Minority Fellow. She received an Executive Juris Doctorate from Concord Law School, a PhD in Christian Counseling from Jacksonville Theological Seminary, a PhD, and MSN in Nursing from the University of Miami; a post-master's Family Nurse Practitioner's program Florida National University (FNU) and the Adult Nurse Practitioner's program at Florida International University (FIU), BSN from FIU and an Honorary Doctorate in Ministry from Trinity Theological Seminary. She is a pediatric nurse practitioner (NP), adult NP, Family NP and holds national certification from AANP in Advanced Adult Health. She was recognized by Governor Rick Scott and the Florida Commission on Women for her work with the homeless in south Florida. She received the Miami Chamber of Commerce's Healthcare Hero's Award in Nursing in 2019, recognition from the City of Miami Gardens and the Commission for Women in the Women's Exposition - "Ordinary Women Doing Extraordinary Things," the Florida Nurses ICON award, and many other national, state, and local awards for education and service.

Linda served on the U.S. Health and Human Services Vaccine Panel – Operation WARP Speed in 2020 and currently serves on the Miami Dade County Public School's (MDCPS) Medical Expert Panel on School Reopening and currently serves as a member of the MDCPS Social Service and Wellness Advisory Committees, appointed by Dr. Steve Gallon. She is the immediate past-President of the Miami Chapter, Black Nurses Association (BNA), Lifetime member of the National BNA (NBNA), Chair, NBNA Diversity and Inclusivity Council, past-Chair, NBNA Immunization Committee, co-Lead of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners Health, Equity and Diversity Special Interest Group, five-year member of the AANP Nomination Council and 2020-2021 co-Chair. She is the former co-Lead, Florida Action Coalition Diversity Council, past-chair, State Coordinators - Association of Black Nursing Faculty, member, Chi Eta Phi, Nu Chapter, and committee chair for Health Policy and Advocacy, member of several local (Miami Rescue Mission, Miami Rescue Mission Caring Place Clinic and CARE Elementary) and National boards/committees (National Commission on Racism in Nursing, Research Group and Pfizer's Vaccine speaker's group). She is also an active member of the Heart-to-Heart International Medical Team that has traveled to Jamaica, Haiti, and Ecuador providing health care services to thousands of underserved communities and a former member of the "Powerhouse" that addresses issues of Domestic Violence, Human Trafficking and Missing Children. As a cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) instructor for both the American Red Cross and American Heart Association, Linda provides CPR training to water safety instructors, lifeguards, parents, and children learning to swim through the Professionals Sharing with a Purpose (PSWAP) free learn to swim program for disadvantaged and underserved children in South Florida since 2015. This partnership has allowed for a life-saving exchange among participants and community organizations

Linda's focus area is providing primary care services to diverse vulnerable populations. Linda's research and practice area addresses creating herd immunity among homeless men and women through her vaccination project that advances nursing practice and science. She has organized nurses at all levels to engage in community-based efforts to reduce the spread of vaccine preventable illnesses by stimulating and disseminating innovation that increases recognition of the value of nursing and drives improvement in health and health care among vulnerable populations. The vaccination project leverages data obtained from the number of persons receiving vaccinations across the care continuum to drive nurse-led innovations as demonstrated across two large counties in Florida and

across the nation through the NBNA Immunization Committee she chaired. Linda is active politically at the local, state and national levels addressing nursing issues that impact practice, education and healthcare delivery for vulnerable and disparaged populations. She presents her work locally, throughout the State of Florida, nationally and internationally. She is well published in several refereed journals in education, practice, and research. She continues to serve as peer reviewer for several nursing and medical journals. Linda's hobbies include reading, writing, and playing tennis.

Linda is the mother of six successful children and a host of grandchildren. Most importantly, she loves God and his people regardless of their race, ethnicity, or economic status.