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Dr. Jernigan trained as a clinical and experimental neuropsychologist, and since the late 1970s has studied the human brain using imaging. This work has focused on brain development and aging, neurodevelopmental disorders, neuropsychiatric and substance use disorders, and neurodegenerative disorders. Since 2008 her central research interest has been the developing human mind and brain, and she has pursued this interest in collaboration with an interdisciplinary team as Director of the Center for Human Development at the University of California, San Diego. She also directs the Coordinating Center for the PING Project – a publicly shared imaging genomics data resource with imaging, neurocognition, and whole genome genotyping data from over 1500 children aged 3 to 20 years. She is a member of the National Advisory Board on Drug Abuse and the NIH Council of Councils and serves on the scientific advisory boards of several research organizations in the US and Europe.