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Dr. Kim Yolton is a Professor of Pediatrics and Environmental and Public Health Sciences at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center and the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. She is a developmental psychologist with over 30 years of experience studying the impact of prenatal and early life experiences and exposures on neurobehavioral outcomes from the neonatal period to early adulthood. Her current research program examines prenatal and childhood exposures to environmental toxicants such as tobacco, metals, plastics, air pollution, and industrial chemicals, and their impact on health, growth, and neurobehavioral outcomes. She directs the Cincinnati Combined Childhood Cohorts (C4) Study and the HOME Study, pregnancy and birth cohort studies that are longitudinally examining these associations into early adulthood. She is an expert in infant and child assessment and collaborates with investigators from multiple institutions, both domestically and internationally, regarding neurobehavioral assessment and staff training strategies to acquire the most appropriate outcome measures with the highest standards of reliability and validity with the ultimate goal to advance our understanding of developmental trajectories and factors that may alter outcomes. She has received both foundation and federal funding to support her research and has published over 200 peer-reviewed manuscripts.

Dr. Yolton has been Director of Research for the Division of General and Community Pediatrics since 2019, providing support to faculty, staff, and fellows. She was Associate Director of the National Research Service Award Academic General Pediatric Fellowship (T32) 2014-2022, and Co-Director of the program from April 2022 to April 2023 during leadership transition. She has been a mentor to learners across the spectrum of training, from high school students to mid-career faculty.

She is the current President Elect for the Developmental Neurotoxicology Society (President 2025-2027) and has been the Human Epidemiology Section Editor for *Neurotoxicology and Teratology* since 2017, managing about 30% of the journal submissions.