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Dr. Boyd-Franklin has received numerous awards from professional and community-based organizations. These have included: an Honorary Doctorate from the Phillips Graduate Institute in 2006, the Ernest E. McMahon Award from Rutgers University in 2005 for the development of a creative, multilevel community intervention and the Solomon Carter Fuller Award from the American Psychiatric Association in 2005 for outstanding contributions to the field through scholarship and programs related to the treatment of African Americans. The Graduate Student Association at Rutgers (GSAPP) in 2004 gave her the “Professor of the Year Award.” In 2003, she received the “Ethnic and Racial Diversity Award” from the National Council of Schools of Professional Psychology. Division 43 of the American Psychological Association acknowledged her work with the “Family Psychologist of the Year Award” in 2003. In 2001, she received the Drs. Charles and Shirley Thomas Award from Division 45 of the American Psychological Association. She received the “Outstanding Contribution to the Field” award from the Association of Black Social Workers in 2001 and the “Distinguished Psychologist of the Year Award” from the Association of Black Psychologists in 1994. In 1995, she was invited by President Bill Clinton to present her community and family interventions at the first White House Conference on AIDS.