Arianne Dowdell

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Arianne Dowdell is Vice President, Chief Culture & Engagement Officer at Houston Methodist. She is responsible for leading the hospital's culture and vision for unparalleled safety, quality, service and innovation through system-wide engagement strategy, programming and implementation with key internal and external partners.

Arianne joined the Houston Methodist Hospital Foundation in July of 2019 and was appointed to her current role in September 2020. Prior to joining Houston Methodist, Arianne worked in higher education where she was the Senior Director of Operations and Partnerships at Syracuse University and also held leadership positions at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, Virginia and The Rockefeller University in New York. She also served as the Communications Director and then President of the National Association of Black Automotive Suppliers. With a passion for journalism, Arianne began her career in television where she worked at Court TV and Madison Square Garden Network. A former attorney, Arianne previously practiced as a labor and employment lawyer in Detroit, Michigan. She holds a JD from Wayne State University, an MA from Syracuse University and a BA from Hampton University.

In her spare time, Arianne enjoys staying physically active and supporting nonprofit and local organizations through her work as a Houston Best Buddies International Advisory Board member and two boards with the University of Houston, including its Human Resource Development Advisory Board and Inclusive Leadership Institute Board.

For her work and leadership, Arianne has been recognized with several awards from Modern Healthcare and Becker's Healthcare, just to name a few.