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Vania Patrick-Drakes is a social science researcher and mental health professional. She has spent the past eleven years living in Barbados, where she worked with children and their caregivers to advocate for inclusive educational practices and improved mental health outcomes.



Vania holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Cognitive Science and Neuroscience, and a Master of Science degree with Distinction in Counselling Psychology. She is currently completing a PhD in Social Policy, with a thesis centred around anti-Black racism.

Vania was excited to return to Canada and join OACAS as a program analyst on the One Vision One Voice program team to help address the disparities and disproportionalities that exist for Black children, youth, and families in Ontario.