



Katholiki (Kathy) Georgiades, PhD



HEALTH SCIENCES
Psychiatry & Behavioural
Neurosciences

Research Work

Dr. Georgiades' program of research seeks to quantify and reduce inequities in mental health among children and youth, with a particular interest in immigrant and refugee populations. Her research examines how individual and contextual level influences (i.e. family, school, community) independently and conjointly contribute to inequities early in the life course. Through this work, she hopes to identify modifiable variables at the individual and contextual levels, particularly in schools, that can serve as potential targets for prevention and intervention programs, and ultimately contribute to the development and evaluation of such programs.

Dr. Georgiades is the Principal Investigator of the Hamilton Youth Study (HYS) and the School Mental Health Surveys (SMHS), as well as the Co-Principal Investigator of the 2014 Ontario Child Health Study (2014 OCHS). The HYS is a local study designed to characterize the mental health, academic, and social outcomes of 1,450 immigrant and non-immigrant students in Hamilton, Ontario. The SMHS is a study of 31,124 students, 3,373 teachers and 206 principals from 248 schools across Ontario. The SMHS is to deepen our understanding of associations between school and classroom settings and student mental health outcomes. The 2014 OCHS is a provincially representative study of 10,530 children and youth designed to determine the prevalence, distribution and correlates of mental disorders and service contact in Ontario.

Engagement Opportunities

Introductory Level

- N/A

Intermediate Level

- Contribute to literature reviews to inform the development of manuscripts and presentations focused on inequities in mental health and service utilization among immigrant and refugee children and their families (4 hrs/week)
- Contribute to the development and writing of a manuscript (6 hrs/week)

Advanced Level

- N/A

If you are interested in learning more, please leave your contact information with the Research Office and/or contact Kathy Georgiades (georgik@mcmaster.ca)