

Dr. Chronis-Tuscano's research focuses broadly on understanding early predictors of developmental outcomes for children with Attention- Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (including depression and alcohol/substance use) and developing novel treatments which target these early risk and protective factors. Much of this research has addressed issues related to maternal parenting and psychopathology (namely, maternal depression and ADHD). A secondary line of research, conducted in collaboration with faculty in Human Development and Quantitative Methodology, aims to examine the trajectory of young children displaying early behavioral inhibition, including the development of psychopathology, and to intervene by targeting key moderators of outcome (e.g., parenting and social relationships).

Recent projects include 4 NIH-funded treatment studies: (1) Treating Parents with ADHD and their Children (TPAC), a hybrid effectiveness-implementation trial in which we are screening for parent ADHD in pediatric primary care and train co-located psychologists to provide behavioral parent training via telehealth, either with or without parent ADHD medication; (2) Behaviorally Enhancing Adolescents' Mood in Schools (BEAMS), a hybrid effectiveness-implementation trial in which we are developing and testing a depression and suicide prevention program for teens with ADHD, as delivered by school mental health providers in the Baltimore high schools; (3) The Turtle Project, a large-scale trial of a parent-child intervention for families of inhibited preschool-aged children; and (4) the development and evaluation of a brief motivational interviewing – behavioral activation program for college students with ADHD engaging in problem drinking. Dr. Chronis-Tuscano also directs the UMD SUCCEEDS College ADHD Clinic.

Dr. Chronis-Tuscano is the Past-President of the International Society for Research in Child and Adolescent Psychopathology; Associate Editor of the Journal of Consulting & Clinical Psychology; Fellow of the Association for Psychological Science; Fellow of the Association for Behavioral & Cognitive Therapies (ABCT); former Associate Editor of the Journal of Clinical Child & Adolescent Psychology; and standing member of the NIMH Mental Health Services Research (SERV) review committee. She is the recipient of multiple NIH grants and has served on several NIH review committees relevant to developmental psychopathology and interventions. Dr. Chronis-Tuscano recently concluded her service as ADVANCE Professor for the College of Behavioral & Social Sciences (BSOS): <https://www.advance.umd.edu/>.

Dr. Chronis-Tuscano plans to recruit a new doctoral student for Fall 2022.