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**HEAD OF THE LABORATORY DETAILS**

Danai Papadatou is a Professor of Clinical Psychology whose clinical experience, research interests and publications focus on issues related to health psychology, palliative care, childhood bereavement support, and community interventions in disaster situations. She has received awards for her work from ‘Children’s Hospice International’ and the ‘Association for Death Education and Counseling’. She is an active member of the International Work Group on Death, Dying, and Bereavement, an organization of leaders in thanatology.

**HISTORY**

The laboratory was founded in 1998, by Athanassios Tzavaras, Emeritus Professor of Psychiatry. Since April 2000, in the context of this Laboratory, Michalis Madianos, Professor of Psychiatry developed the **Community Mental Health Center of Zografou**. This Center is located at 42, Davaki – Pindou Str., provides services to adults inhabitants of the Zografou, Goudi, Ilisia, Ampelokipoi and Gyzi areas that belong the 8th Psychiatric Sector of Attica, (350,000 population). It runs under the direction of Giorgos Alevizopoulos, Associate Professor in Psychiatry, and is staffed by 4 psychiatrists, 2 psychiatric nurses, 1 psychologist, 1 social worker, 1 occupational therapist and 2 secretaries. To this day, the Zographou Community Mental Health Center, constitutes the main activity of the Laboratory of Psychopathology and Neuropsychology in addition to the research that is conducted on mental health issues by members of the Department of Mental Health and Behavioral Sciences.

The Center’s **purpose** is fourfold:
- to provide clinical services
- to provide education to the community on mental health issues and clinical training for undergraduate, postgraduate students, and other mental health professionals
- to provide evidence based recommendations on various mental health issues, to the Ministry of Health and Social Solidarity, and other State Authorities (National Drug Organization, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Justice etc)
- to conduct research on mental health issues.

**Clinical services include**
- Psychiatric services to adults
- Psychosocial rehabilitation for individuals with serious chronic psychotic disorders.
- Depot-Clinic for LAI-antipsychotics
- Counseling for adults and families that experience mental health difficulties.
- Counseling for undergraduate students.
- Social services – database information for medical, social and pension issues for individuals with mental health disorders.

**Other activities in the community**
- Sensitization of the habitants in the 8th Psychiatric Sector on mental health issues.
- Community oriented training for mental health care professionals
- Community intervention programs in collaboration with local authorities and community services
- Other scientific activities
- Research studies that have been the subject of various master theses and doctoral dissertations
- Annual Conference on Community Mental Health Issues

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| PhD Candidate Students     |                               |                  |                               |
| Moraiti Aggeliki           | Psychologist                  | Ph.D. candidate | Doctoral research in progress |
| Kerassioti Alexandra       | Psychologist                  | Ph.D. candidate | Doctoral research in progress |
| Moissiadou Evagelia        | Nurse                         | Ph.D. candidate | Doctoral research in progress |
| Kontou Christina           | Nurse                         | Ph.D. candidate | Doctoral research in progress |
| Varela Maria               | M.D.                          | PhD candidate   | Research in progress          |
| Nystazaki Maria            | RN                            | PhD candidate   | Research in progress          |
## CURRICULUM

### Undergraduate Program (2010 - 2011)

- Psychiatry
- Psychoactive Substances
- Therapeutics
- Social-Community Psychiatry
- Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing
- Introduction to Psychology
- Health psychology
- Communication skills

### Postgraduate Program of Lectures

- Psychopharmacology
- Forensic Psychiatry (School of Medicine)
- CNS Clinical Pharmacology (School of Pharmacy)
- Psychotherapies
- Psychosocial Rehabilitation
- Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing
- Special issues in Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing
- Communication skills and interpersonal relationships
- Pediatric palliative care (Nursing & Medical School)
- Oncology nursing and palliative care (co-teaching)
- Loss and grief (Nursing & Medical School)

### Other Teaching Activities

- (2010-2011) Seminar for medical students on communication skills
- 2001- Forensic Psychiatric Nursing
- (2009-2010) Cyprus University of Technology – Courses “Mental Health Nursing” and “Community Mental Health Nursing”

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

**National**
1. Parents’ experience of caring for their psychotic child (Darmi E.) PhD - Recently completed followed by 1 publication and others submitted for publication
2. Pre-morbid symptoms in schizophrenia: A retrospective assessment (Bakola E.) PhD recently completed and submitted for publication
3. Raising a child with Duchenne: Parents’ experience (Moraiti K) PhD – in progress
4. Being raised by a substance addicted parent: The child’s experience (Kerassioti A.) PhD - in progress
5. Risk factors of violent behavior in persons with schizophrenia in the community: A National Study (Papadimitriou M) PhD-in progress
6. Adherence of persons with schizophrenia on LAI-antipsychotics: A multi-center National Study (Nystazaki M) –PhD in progress
7. Self-assessment of psychopathology and the availability of treatment of disease of people with chronic renal failure undergoing hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis (Moissiadou E) - PhD in progress.
8. Relation of emotional intelligence of nurses working in intensive care unit and psychological manifestations (Kontou C) - PhD in progress
9. Autism: psychoeducation and rehabilitation (Katafigioti V) Master- in progress
10. Mental illness among Greek male prisoners: Connection to crime history (Alevizopoulos G.) recently competed and submitted for publication
11. Fatigue and excessive sleepiness in major depression: A multi-center national study (Alevizopoulos G). –under final revision
13. Internet Addiction and Psychopathology in Greek Students (Koukia E. ) in progress

International

4. CYP450 genetic influence and role of the expression of glycogen synthase kinase-3b (GSK3b), Brain Derived Growth Factor (BDNF) in mononuclear cells (lymphocytes) of patients during the treatment with antipsychotic agents. Comparison with therapeutic levels (Alevizopoulos G) in progress.

PUBLICATIONS (recent publications and those that you consider having great impact)


