

## Dr. Sylvana Côté



Sylvana Côté is a full professor at the School of Public Health at the University of Montreal and a Researcher at Ste-Justine's Hospital. She heads the Observatory for Children's Education and Health (<http://observatoireenfants.ca/>), the Research Group on Children's psychosocial Maladjustment (GRIP: <http://www.gripinfo.ca/Grip/Public/www/>). She holds a Tier 1 Canada Research Chair on the prevention of psychosocial maladjustment in children and youth and is a fellow of the Royal Society of Canada. She has received national and international awards and honors including senior fellowship from the Quebec Research Fund, Research Chairs in the Netherlands (Utrecht University) and France (IDEX Chair, University of Bordeaux), and a Marie Curie International Fellowship. She has won the ACFAS award for the Quebec-France cooperation.

She adopts a life-span perspective to study the associations between early family adversity (e.g. socioeconomic disadvantaged, parental mental health problems) and poor child outcomes, and to test the efficacy of population-based prevention programs. Her work focusses on the prevention of 3 overlapping problems: psychosocial maladjustment, mental health problems, and academic difficulties. She has documented the conditions under which early childcare and education can foster children's healthy development and reduce social disparities; and identified programs to improve the quality of childcare services offered to disadvantaged populations. Her research was published in >200 peer reviewed and is highly cited (h index=60, google scholar).