# 2017 BULLYING PREVENTION CONFERENCE

### Featuring Dr. Tracy Vaillancourt

Dr. Tracy Vaillancourt is a Canada Research Chair in Children's Mental Health and Violence Prevention at the University of Ottawa. Dr. Vaillancourt's research examines the links between bullying and mental health, with a particular focus on social neuroscience. She is currently funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research, the Social Sciences and Humanities Council of Canada, and the Ontario Mental Health Foundation.

## **Focus - Understanding Mental Health Outcomes Among Bullied Youth: Biological Considerations**

The prevalence of behavioral and emotional disorders among American students is high - about 20% of youth have serious mental health problems. These problems are often chronic and lead to significant impairment in school, home, and community functioning. One root cause of mental health difficulties is being bullied by peers. Indeed, longitudinal studies point to a causal relation between exposure to bullying and subsequent mental health problems. Importantly however, not all youth become unwell as a consequence of poor peer treatment. In this presentation, the heterogeneity in mental health outcomes of bullied youth is discussed with a specific focus on the roles of genetics, neurophysiology, and neuroendocrinology.

### Educators, Mental-Health Providers, Parents, Advocates and All Interested in Bullying Prevention

RSVP <u>HERE</u> to Attend Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> 8:45 am to Noon

#### **Evening Encore Presentation**

November 30<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30 pm Tulsa Tech Lemley Campus - Career Center NO RSVP Necessary



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