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Opening the Door for Equitable Support Along the Perinatal Journey

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Dr. Geller has studied women's health issues for over 25 years.

She received her MS and PhD in clinical psychology from Kent State University and completed a NIH postdoctoral fellowship in psychiatric epidemiology at the Joseph L. Mailman School of Public Health of Columbia University.

With research and clinical interests in perinatal mental health, her work focuses on the psychological aspects of adverse and traumatic events surrounding pregnancy and childbirth, such as infertility, pregnancy loss, postpartum depression, and infant NICU hospitalization.

Dr. Geller is co-founder and co-director of Mother Baby Connections, an intensive outpatient mental health program at Drexel for pregnant and postpartum women experiencing anxiety and depression and their infants.

With a visiting professorship in neonatology at the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, she and her colleagues are addressing the experiences of mothers with an infant in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) with ongoing projects relevant to parental distress and adjustment, and nurse education.

Dr. Geller serves on the Executive Council and chairs the Research Committee of the National Network of NICU Psychologists within the National Perinatal Association.

Among peer-reviewed journal articles and other publications, Dr. Geller is an editor of the Health Psychology volume of the Handbook of Psychology, as well as the book, Women's Health Psychology, both published by Wiley.

She has presented her work nationally and internationally and has been featured on BBC Radio programs

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