

## **Dr. Davielle Lakind**

Dr. Davielle (Davi) Lakind received her BA in English from Amherst College, and her MA and PhD in Clinical Psychology from the University of Illinois at Chicago, where she also completed her pre-doctoral clinical internship. She completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of South Carolina.

Dr. Lakind's research focuses on leveraging everyday settings to promote mental health and wellbeing for youth and families in communities impacted by stressors related to poverty, adversity, and structural racism. These communities have included Black and Latine communities in Chicago, rural Black and White communities in South Carolina, and refugee and immigrant communities in and around Atlanta. She works in collaboration with community partners to develop, implement, and/or enhance school and community-based mental health service models that fit specific settings and communities' contexts, strengths, and their own identified needs. In developing or enhancing these models, she focuses on workforce development and support for a variety of youth- and family-serving individuals. These workforces have included youth mentors, public school teachers, afterschool program staff and volunteers, and both masters-level and paraprofessional "near peer" community-based service providers. In tandem, she has focused on supporting supervisors for these varied workforces, and on developing and refining supervision models and processes. Dr. Lakind also concentrates on developing service models or building the skills of various workforces so they can better engage and support caregivers and address the many interrelated needs that families facing the stressors of poverty and adversity often experience.

Dr. Lakind has clinical experience working with families as well as individual youth and adults facing a variety of challenges, including disruptive behavior, unipolar and bipolar mood dysregulation, anxiety, trauma, and substance use, as well as psychosocial stressors including poverty, community violence, incarceration, migration, and child protective services involvement. She has worked in psychology and outpatient psychiatry clinics as well as in community-based settings including schools, youth development organizations, and community social service agencies. Dr. Lakind has provided clinical supervision to graduate students working in psychology clinics, schools, and integrated behavioral health services in pediatric settings, as well as to masters-level counselors providing mental health services to refugees. She has also provided implementation consultation to a variety of community-based mental health providers, supervisors, paraprofessionals, and schoolteachers.