

## DEBORAH PREITI, PsyD

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Senior Clinical Psychologist at IRCCS Giannina Gaslini Institute (Genoa), specialized in developmental neuropsychology and developmental psychopathology.

Extensive clinical and research expertise in complex neurodevelopmental disorders, prematurity-related outcomes, executive functioning, autism spectrum disorder, ADHD, and early childhood (0–5 years).

Clinical lead across outpatient, Day Hospital and inpatient services, with integration between hospital, community services and educational settings.

Adjunct Professor at the University of Genoa (DINOGLMI).

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## CURRENT POSITION

### **Senior Clinical Psychologist (Permanent Appointment)**

IRCCS Giannina Gaslini Institute – Clinical Psychology Unit  
Department of Child and Adolescent Neuropsychiatry  
August 2023 – Present

Ranked 1st in national public competition (General Director Resolution no. 737/2023).

Responsibilities include:

- Neuropsychological and psychodiagnostic assessment (0–18 years)
  - Clinical management of complex neurodevelopmental disorders
  - Multidisciplinary care coordination
  - Clinical research in developmental neuroscience
  - Parent training and psychoeducational interventions
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## PREVIOUS CLINICAL APPOINTMENTS

### **Senior Clinical Psychologist (Fixed-Term)**

IRCCS Giannina Gaslini Institute

December 2021 – August 2023

### **Clinical Research Psychologist – Neonatal Follow-Up**

IRCCS Giannina Gaslini Institute

April 2020 – September 2021

Clinical trial: SHP607-202 (Phase 2b multicenter study)

Focus: neurodevelopmental outcomes in extremely preterm infants

### **Project SOLE – Early ASD Risk Identification**

IRCCS Giannina Gaslini Institute

October 2021 – December 2021

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

### **Adjunct Professor**

University of Genoa – DINO GMI

2020 – Present

Course: Clinical Psychology – Cognitive, Neuropsychological and Neurolinguistic Rehabilitation

Degree Program: Neuro and Psychomotor Therapy of Developmental Age

Supervisor of undergraduate theses in executive functions, sensory patterns in ASD, visuo-spatial abilities, and neurorehabilitation.

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## EDUCATION

### **Specialization in Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy**

Il Ruolo Terapeutico – Genoa

2020 – Graduated with Honors (100/100 cum laude)

### **Second-Level Master's Degree in Clinical Neuropsychology**

Istituto Miller – Genoa

2018

### **Master's Degree in Psychology**

University of Genoa

2014

Thesis in Neuropsychology: Standardization of Executive-Attentional Assessment Measures

### **Bachelor's Degree in Communication Sciences**

University of Genoa

2007 – Graduated with Honors

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## CLINICAL EXPERTISE

- Developmental Neuropsychological Assessment (0–18 years)
- Autism Spectrum Disorder
- ADHD
- Specific Learning Disorders
- Intellectual Disability
- Executive Functions and Emotional Dysregulation
- Prematurity and high-risk infants
- Developmental trauma

Certified in:

ADOS-2 | Vineland-II | R-PAS | EMDR (Level I & II) | REBT | Cogmed

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Neurodevelopmental outcomes in preterm infants
  - Brain development and early injury
  - Executive functions in ADHD
  - Emotional dysregulation
  - Sleep architecture and neurodevelopment
  - Impact of trauma during critical developmental periods
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## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Preiti D. et al.

Sleep architecture correlates with neurological and neurobehavioral outcomes in very preterm infants. *Sleep Medicine*, 2025.

Potenzieri A. et al.

Early IGF-1 receptor inhibition in mice mimics preterm human brain disorders. *Science Advances*, 2024.

Uccella S. et al.

Impact of COVID-19 outbreak on Italian children and adolescents. *Frontiers in Public Health*, 2021.

Parodi A. et al.

Post-haemorrhagic hydrocephalus management and neonatal transport. *Acta Paediatrica*, 2020.

(Full publication list available upon request.)

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## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Order of Psychologists of Liguria (Registered Psychologist & Licensed Psychotherapist)

- ENPAP
  - Working Group on Specific Learning Disorders (Board Member from 2025)
  - Working Group on Neuropsychology
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## LANGUAGES

Italian – Native

English – B1 (Independent User)

French – A2

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## DIGITAL COMPETENCIES

Advanced use of:

SPSS | Clinical Databases | Microsoft Office Suite | Telehealth Platforms | Electronic Health Records (FSE 2.0)

GDPR-compliant clinical data management.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Driving License A & B

Based in Genoa, Italy