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Dr. Chiachen (Chi) Cheng is a Child & Adolescent, Adult Psychiatrist and Physician-Researcher. Dr. Cheng completed her General Psychiatry training and Child & Adolescent Psychiatry sub-specialization at McMaster University. She received a Masters of Public Health at Harvard University.

In 2006, she moved to Northern Ontario with her partner and young family. She currently lives in Thunder Bay and is the proud mother of two adult sons, and one teenage daughter.

Dr. Cheng was Medical Director at several programs, including at First

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In 2016, Dr. Cheng joined the faculty at Northern Ontario School of Medicine University. She has become a core member of the post-graduate program in Psychiatry, initially as the program's Research Coordinator, Site Director in Thunder Bay, and now Program Director for Psychiatry.

Dr. Cheng's research interests are early intervention for youth mental health, evidence based practice as it interfaces with pediatric and youth mental health policy, and models of care for vulnerable populations in northern or remote settings. She has received research grant funding from institutions such as Ontario Trillium Foundation – Youth Opportunities Fund, PSI Foundation Mid-Career Award, and Canadian Institutes of Health Research.