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Senior Research Associate

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Moscow State University, Developmental and Educational Psychology, 1987

M.A., California Institute for Integral Studies, Counseling Psychology, 2000

B.A., Sofia University, Psychology, 1978

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION:

Child and adolescent development; Early childhood intervention and prevention; Program development and evaluation; Child and adolescent behavioral/public health and education; Multi-cultural research and evaluation; Organizational assessment/capacity building; Evidence-based practices implementation; Professional training (needs assessment, curriculum development and delivery)

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY:

Dr. Botcheva joined Sociometrics Corporation in 2010. She is a Principle Investigator for the NIDCD funded project *Early Intervention Program Archive to Reduce Developmental Disability* - a collection of replication kits for effective programs for young children with or at risk of developmental disability. She also serves as an investigator for the *After-school Program Archive to Raise Achievement* – a feasibility study to develop a collection of effective after-school programs and a multimedia professional development resource for educators, funded by NICHD.

Prior to joining Sociometrics, Dr. Botcheva was a Program Director at the Children's Health Council, Palo Alto where she led the Outcomes Research Consulting Service offering evaluation support, training and capacity building to non-profit organizations. She was a research associate at the Stanford Center of Adolescence and a Fellow at the Center for Advanced Studies in the Behavioral Sciences, Stanford where she conducted research on youth development in changing social context.

Her work has been published in numerous peer-review journals including the *American Journal of Evaluation*, *Journal of Applied Behavioral Science*, and *Journal of Social Issues*, among others.