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## CHADD Names 2016 Young Scientist Award Winners

CHADD continues to encourage researchers to pursue new avenues of understanding ADHD and is pleased to announce the 2016 Young Scientist Award winners. Several outstanding applications were received this year, and two winners were selected by CHADD's Professional Advisory Board reviewers. The winners will receive \$1,000 along with recognition in November at CHADD's Annual International Conference on ADHD in Costa Mesa, Calif. Awardees also receive professional membership in CHADD.

The 2016 Awardees:

- Joseph Raiker, PhD, is an assistant professor in the Department of Psychology and Director of the Program for Attention, Learning, and Memory at Florida International University.
- Michael Meinzer, PhD, just completed his doctoral training at Florida International University and is currently a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Maryland.

[Continue on to learn more about the Young Scientist Award.](#)



Joseph Raiker, PhD



Michael Meinzer, PhD

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## Can Adoption Have an Effect on ADHD?

Children who were adopted have a higher likelihood of an ADHD diagnosis, which can be two to three times greater than their peers without ADHD. Studies indicate that as many as 30 percent of children who were adopted are affected by ADHD.

Mothers Jennifer Klotz and Ruth Hughes, PhD, share their children's ADHD experiences in the *Attention* magazine article, *ADHD and Adoption: Two Journeys*. They discuss the connection between adoption and ADHD and why so many adopted children are later diagnosed with the disorder. [Read on.](#)



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## Visualize a Good Start to the School Year

Fall is here, and school buses and safety patrols will soon be in sight. Many students have already climbed on board their buses to start the new school year.

At the National Resource Center, we want to help you and your kids get off on the right foot. Here are some tips for getting your child in the right mindset for a fresh start this year.

You play an important part in your child's before and after school experience. Read on to see which three words to use as tools to help with the transition from summer to back-to-school. [Read on.](#)



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## Campus Safety Tips for Your Student with ADHD

So you've just started your first year of college, and you're sorting out all the academic challenges. Hopefully, you've got your accommodations in place and some other supports that can help you succeed. We have more about succeeding in college if you are looking for additional information.



Setting up academic safety nets, however, are only part of the new challenges you may be facing. It's important to set up physical safety nets as well. College is a new and exciting adventure. But with any new adventure can come some dangers, especially for students with ADHD. [Read more.](#)

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## ADHD, ASD, and OCD May Have More in Common Than You Think

What's the relationship between ADHD and autism spectrum and obsessive-compulsive disorders, which commonly occur with ADHD? Researchers in Toronto, Canada, are trying to figure this out by looking at common brain differences among the disorders. [Read more.](#)



# ADHD *in the News*

- How to survive at work when you're a woman with ADHD
- Tylenol and ADHD: Stories vary in degree of panic
- Is ADHD medication overused?
- Back to school: managing medications at school

Read these and other articles in the [ADHD in the News weekly digest](#).

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## Did You Know?

People with ADHD don't have trouble paying attention. They have trouble paying attention to the "right" things. Learn to understand your strengths and weaknesses and build an environment that will help you thrive.

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