

## Discovering Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Resources to Support Foster, Adoptive and Kinship Families

*Instilling Hope: A Brain Based  
Approach to Understanding  
FASDs and Other  
Neurobehavioral Conditions*  
Thursday, January 6, 2022  
7:00-8:00 PM

Participants will gain a foundation for understanding FASDs and other neurobehavioral conditions with the FASCETS model. There will be a discussion of primary and secondary characteristics and why they are important. Get starter strategies to reduce stress and increase accommodations. We will connect around a common language for parents, families, and professionals and to begin to make person centered accommodations to instill hope and reduce anxiety and stress. **Presented by Melissa Elligson, counselor and certified facilitator of the FASCETS Neurobehavioral Model and a FASCETS Program Director**

*FASD Diagnosis*  
Thursday, January 13, 2022  
7:00-8:00 PM

Dr. Renee Turchi will provide an overview of the diagnostic categories which fall under the FASD umbrella and offer parents and caregivers specific recommendations for finding a provider who can assist in the evaluation, assessment and diagnosis of their children. **Presented by Renee Turchi, MD, MPH, FAAP, is the Chair of Pediatrics and Pediatrician in Chief of General Pediatrics at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children in Philadelphia.**

*Educational Interventions and  
Support for Children Affected  
by Prenatal Exposure*  
Thursday, January 20, 2022  
7:00-8:00 PM

The effects from prenatal alcohol exposure have a detrimental impact on learning. However, when provided interventions that focus on increasing active engagement across settings, children affected by PAE can show improvements in learning. This talk will present a framework for serving children with PAE focused on what children can do, not their deficits or diagnostic labels. We will examine evidenced-based interventions for children with PAE that may address the range of learning needs. **Presented by Dr. Molly N. Millians, clinical educational specialist, Emory Neurodevelopment Exposure Clinic, Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, Emory University School of Medicine**

## ***FASD in Schools***

**Thursday, January 27, 2022**

**7:00-8:00 PM**

Raising a child, youth or young adult with prenatal exposure to alcohol can be very challenging. School performance may be impacted and educational success may feel beyond reach. Appropriate educational supports make a difference for some students with FASD and related conditions. We will cover special education eligibility, trauma-informed IEP practices and other procedures that may be helpful for students with FASD and their families. Specific strategies for moving toward greater school success will be offered. **Presented by Kelly Henderson, PhD, Executive Director, Formed Families Forward**

**Trainings are free of charge.** These sessions are open to **all** parents, caregivers, and professionals, though content will address issues of specific relevance to foster, adoptive and kinship families. Formed Families Forward offers training and support for foster, adoptive and kinship families raising children and youth with special needs.

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