

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) Webinars for Foster, Adoptive and Kinship Families

Addressing Challenges Faced by Students with an FASD Diagnosis
Tuesday, January 17, 2023
7:00-8:00 PM

A panel of experts and researchers will discuss FASD characteristics, parenting strategies and educational resources to address the challenges faced by students who have FASDs. Time will be set aside to ask questions during the Q & A portion of this session. **Panelists are Nate Sheets, Behavior Consultant at Oregon Behavior Consultation; Carson Kautz, Graduate Student at the University of Rochester; and Kelly Henderson, Executive Director at FFF**

Interdisciplinary Diagnosis and Interventions for Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders
Tuesday, January 24, 2023
7:00-8:00 PM

Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD) is diagnosed in many different ways. This session will examine the Specialty Diagnostic Resource Center's interdisciplinary approach to a neurodevelopmental disorder associated with prenatal alcohol exposure (ND-PAE) diagnosis. Roles and responsibilities for each team member will be explored. Finally, evidence-based interventions will be introduced and accommodations that can improve success in all aspects of life for individuals with FASD will be discussed. **Presented by Elizabeth Cleveland, PhD, CCC-SLP, Co-Director and Co-Founder for the Specialty Diagnostic Resource Center**

Preventing Secondary Characteristics of FASD: What Does the Research Say?
Tuesday, January 31, 2023
7:00-8:00 PM

Prenatal alcohol exposure leads to changes in the developing brain that have lifelong impact in the affected individual. These brain changes express themselves behaviorally. These neurobehavioral impacts are considered "primary characteristics" of FASD. If the person with an FASD doesn't receive appropriate supports and provided environmental modifications and accommodations, this can lead to frustration, anger, depression, anxiety and other predictable manifestations of unmet needs. These are called "secondary characteristics" of FASD. If we can successfully meet the needs of people with FASDs, the secondary characteristics can be mitigated or even prevented entirely. Presented by **Adrienne Bashista, Director, Families Affected by FASD (FAFASD)**

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. Register at www.FormedFamiliesForward.org or call 703-539-2904. **NOTE that EACH** webinar has its own registration.

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