



**Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders  
Building Understanding and Coalitions**  
*September 27, 2019*

*Double Tree by Hilton-Brownstone-University  
1707 Hillsborough Street, Raleigh, NC*

- 8:00-8:30am Registration
- 8:30am **Welcome**  
Kathy Hotelling, Ph.D., ABPP  
Co-Founder and Board Chair, NCFASD Informed
- 8:40am **FASD Impacts ALL of Us: A Call to Action**  
Diane Smith Howard, JD  
Managing Attorney for Criminal and Juvenile Justice  
National Disability Rights Network
- 9:00-10:30am **Recognizing the Challenge of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders**  
  
This session will focus on the neurological, developmental/learning, and behavioral challenges seen in Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders as they apply to the legal and mental health systems. Typical presentation and management strategies will be discussed..  
  
Yasmin Senturias, MD, FAAP  
Professor of Pediatrics  
Medical Director, Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics of the Carolinas-Charlotte Clinic  
Atrium Health  
Adjunct Professor of Pediatrics  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
- 10:30am Break
- 10:45am-12:15pm **Identifying Those with FASD in Foster Care and Corrections Systems: How Many Are There and What Should We Do For Them?**  
  
Participants will become familiar with population estimates of FASD in foster care and corrections service systems. Current screening strategies for FASD will be discussed. Participants will learn about appropriate management of people with FASD in these systems. Emphasis will be given to prevention of secondary disabilities as a component of diagnosis informed management.  
  
Larry Burd, Ph.D.  
Director, ND Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Center  
Professor, Department of Pediatrics  
UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences  
Grand Forks, ND

12:15pm

Lunch provided

1:00-2:15pm

**How Stigma and Fear Affect the Establishment of Maternal Alcohol History**

This lecture will describe the difficulties in establishing the maternal alcohol history when the birth mother is in denial of alcohol use or is unavailable, as well as explain how to establish the maternal alcohol history through interviews of family members and review of documentation. The stigma and fear in revealing such information will be discussed.

William J. Edwards, Deputy Public Defender  
Los Angeles County, California  
Mental Health Court  
Board of Directors, *National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome*

2:15pm

Break

2:30-3:45pm

**It's a Matter of Justice**

The impact of prenatal alcohol exposure has real implications for our courts. This session will provide an overview of case studies on individuals with an FASD and highlight challenges and opportunities in the administration of justice.

Ruth Richardson, JD  
FASD Consultant  
CEO, Wayside Recovery Center

3:45-4:45pm

**Panel: FASD in the Context of North Carolina**

Where do we go from here? How do we affect change? How do we ensure evaluations among populations at highest risk for FASD? How do we assure them appropriate representation in the courts?

Diane Smith Howard, JD (Moderator)  
Managing Attorney for Criminal and Juvenile Justice  
National Disability Rights Network

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