



FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDER

An Integrated Response

- Prevention
- Screening, Diagnosis, Early Intervention
- Remedial Support and Care

Terminology: Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) includes Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS), Fetal Alcohol Effects (FAE), partial FAS (pFAS) and all disorders resulting from alcohol exposure in utero.

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LIFE STAGES	PROGRAMS & SERVICES	PARTNERS
<p>P R E N A T A L</p> <p>Prevention services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote and support alcohol-free pregnancies Screen for alcohol consumption during pregnancy Screen for social risk factors affecting alcohol consumption during pregnancy Trauma recovery for women Provide counseling and referrals Pregnant women provided priority admissions to addiction treatment Promote awareness of FASD 	<p>Prenatal counselling and referrals</p> <p>Priority admission to addiction treatment</p> <p>Public education of FASD campaign</p> <p>Screening for maternal alcohol consumption during pregnancy</p> <p>Screening for social risk factors during pregnancy</p> <p>Canadian Prenatal Nutrition Programs</p> <p>FASD prevention, awareness and referrals support training for: licensed outlet staff, RCMP Officers, community health representatives, health and social service professionals, and regional groups of teachers, foster parents and parents.</p> <p>Healthy family kits distributed to new/young families</p> <p>Warning labels on alcoholic containers</p>	<p>Aboriginal Policing, G Division, RCMP</p> <p>Canada Northwest FASD Partnership</p> <p>Department of Finance</p> <p>Department of Health and Social Services</p> <p>Health and Social Services Authorities</p> <p>Health Canada</p> <p>NWT Medical Association</p> <p>NWT Native Women's Association</p> <p>Status of Women Council of NWT</p> <p>Yellowknife Association for Community Living</p>
<p>B I R T H t o A G E 6</p> <p>Early identification helps children exposed to alcohol before birth. Screening for early childhood developmental delays (ages 0-6) aids earliest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> identification of delays remedial support diagnosis <p>Supports for affected families include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parenting classes and home visitation program Enriched preschool programs Addiction treatment Trauma Recovery for Women Subsidized adoption of children with FASD 	<p>Postnatal counselling and referrals</p> <p>Screening for early childhood developmental delays: Nipissing and Denver II</p> <p>FAS Symposium</p> <p>FAS diagnostic training</p> <p>Home visitation (under development)</p> <p>Healthy family kits distributed to new/young families</p> <p>Aboriginal Head Start</p> <p>Community Action Programs for Children</p> <p>Speech and language services</p> <p>Subsidized adoptions for FASD children</p> <p>Subsidized training for adoptive parents and foster families of FASD children</p>	<p>Canada Northwest FASD Partnership</p> <p>Department of Health and Social Services</p> <p>Health and Social Services Authorities</p> <p>Health Canada</p>
<p>C H I L D a n d Y O U T H</p> <p>Child and youth services include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FASD diagnostic and support services Educating youth on the risk of alcohol use during pregnancy Treatment and support for addicted youth 	<p>Healthy Children's Initiative</p> <p>Student support funding</p> <p>School health curriculum</p> <p>Child and youth treatment facilities</p> <p>Rehabilitation support: speech language pathology, occupational therapy, physical therapy, audiology</p> <p>Foster parent training</p>	<p>Department of Education, Culture and Employment</p> <p>Department of Health and Social Services</p> <p>NWT Foster Family Association</p>
<p>A D U L T</p> <p>Transition to adulthood is challenging for many with FASD. Supporting adults with FASD is an emerging need. Understanding the root causes for addictions is required to prevent FASD. This includes recovery from residential school abuse contributing to healthy individuals, families and communities.</p>	<p>Alcohol and drug counsellors and addiction treatment</p> <p>Residential school - training for caregivers</p> <p>Home and community care - home support for high risk families</p> <p>Women and Children's Healing and Recovery Treatment Program</p> <p>Group home for adults</p> <p>Public and private guardianship</p>	<p>Aboriginal Healing Foundation</p> <p>Department Education, Culture and Employment</p> <p>Department of Health and Social Services</p> <p>Department of Justice</p> <p>Health and Social Services Authorities</p> <p>Health Canada</p> <p>Yellowknife Association for Community Living</p> <p>Yellowknife Women's Centre</p> <p>YWCA</p>