



“You Can’t See What Your Don’t Know”

2-Day Program



A presentation on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders and the use of Assistance Dogs for Families, Providers, Law Enforcement Officers and Educators

Day 1

Overview

FASDs - what they are and what they aren't

- Definitions
- Diagnostic Criteria
- How the teratogen of alcohol affects the developing fetus

Primary disabilities associated with FASD

- Dispelling myths and embracing realities
- To label or not to label
- Prevalence and Incidence of FASDs

The environment - how do we help?

- Setting up individuals for success
- The External Brain
- Secondary Disabilities associated with FASD

Advocacy

- Circle of Support
- Becoming a self-advocate

Introduction to FASD Assistance Dogs

Day 2

Overview of the Day and Short Recap

Educators' Tool Box

- FAS and the Brain
- A square peg in a round hole
- Setting up the classroom for success

Thinking outside the Kennel

- How a service dog helps

Other interventions and research

- Evidence-based research from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities

First Responders

- What to say and do