



Maternal & Child Health Bureau – Support for Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders

Panel Discussion: Federal Response to FASD: Agency Overview
FASD Prevention & Clinical Guidelines Research Workshop, presented by
the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences and FASD United

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Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People



Maternal & Child Health Bureau Strategic Plan

Mission

To improve the health and well-being of America's mothers, children, and families.

Vision

Our vision is an America where all mothers, children, and families thrive and reach their full potential.

MCHB Goals

ACCESS

Assure access to high-quality and equitable health services to optimize health and well-being for all MCH populations.

EQUITY

Achieve health equity for MCH populations.

CAPACITY

Strengthen public health capacity and workforce for MCH.

IMPACT

Maximize impact through leadership, partnership, and stewardship.



Supporting Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) Screening & Intervention Program (SFASDSI) Award Information

Number, Type, Recipient of Award: 1 Cooperative Agreement to Boston Medical Center, in partnership with MN-based Proof Alliance.

Program Purpose: To reduce alcohol use among pregnant women and to improve developmental outcomes for children & adolescents with a suspected or diagnosed FASD in states, U.S. territories, tribes/tribal organizations, or communities that have high rates of binge drinking among pregnant women, especially in rural areas.

Award Amount: Y1: \$974,309; Y2: \$986,511; Y3: \$956,211

Period of Performance: 9/1/2020 through 8/31/2023 (3 Years)



SAFEST Choice Learning Collaborative

Purpose: For Community Health Centers and tribal clinics in New England (MA, VT, ME, RI, NH, CT) & the Upper Midwest (MN, ND, SD, WI, IA, MI) to participate in 10 free virtual Prenatal and/or Pediatric ECHO® sessions.

Cohort 1 from 6/2021 – 4/2022. **Cohort 2** from 5/2022 – 4/2023.

- **Prenatal ECHO** aims to reduce prenatal alcohol exposure- by teaching healthcare teams how to screen for and counsel people about the risks of alcohol use during pregnancy.
- **Pediatric ECHO** aims to improve FASD outcomes by training healthcare teams how to identify and care for children and adolescents with suspected or diagnosed FASD.

CHCs will receive a stipend, technical assistance, and free continuing education credits.

For more information on SAFEST Choice Learning Collaborative email safestchoice@bmc.org

<https://www.bmc.org/addiction/training-education/safest-choice>



Technical Assistance (TA)

Skills Based Training	Systems Change	Patient and Community Engagement
Developing motivational interviewing skills	Using QI strategies to make practice change	Patient engagement and coordinating community resources
Assessing FASD, neuro-psych test, facial features	Integrating new practices into clinic workflows and EMR	Identifying site-specific links to community resources
Maximizing communication between peds and prenatal providers	Integrating behavioral health, SDUH screening and management into primary care	Ensuring cultural and linguistic competent services
Maximizing care with telehealth	Implementing universal screening for alcohol and other drugs	Understanding site-specific implications of CAPTA/ CURES and other legal considerations
Treating patients with Alcohol Use Disorder	Implementing billing- SBIRT, FASD diagnostic & consultation	Meet your FASD Champion (AAP, ACOG, FASD United)



Curriculum (Clinical Content)

- Developed by Curriculum Committee
- Materials from HRSA, AAP, ACOG, & CDC with appropriate attribution
- External review (HRSA, Advisory Board)

Prenatal ECHO	Pediatric ECHO
Introduction to FASD	Introduction to FASD
Stigma and Bias	Assessment Domains
Screening for PAE	Stigma and Bias
Screen Unhealthy Alcohol Use	Screening for PAE
Brief Negotiated Interview	FASD Screening and Referral
FASD Across the Lifespan	FASD Evaluation and Next Steps
Community Resources Pt1	FASD in Adolescents
Community Resources Pt2	Interventions for FASD
Polysubstance Use	Community Resources Pt1
Legal and Documentation Issues	Community Resources Pt2 Legal and Documentation Issues



National Maternal Mental Health Hotline



Are you pregnant or a new parent and feeling sad, worried, overwhelmed, or concerned that you aren't good enough?

For support, understanding, and resources,
CALL OR TEXT 1-833-9-HELP4MOMS
(1-833-943-5746)

Free - Confidential - Available 24/7



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<https://mchb.hrsa.gov/programs-impact/focus-areas/mental-behavioral-health>



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