

# Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders

*The Invisible Disability:  
Understanding and Identifying  
Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders*  
Wednesday, January 16, 2019  
6:30-8:00 PM

The identification, diagnosis and treatment of FASD is a complicated process for families and professionals alike. David Perry will discuss the current diagnostic tools and criteria available to identify children and adults with FASD. He will also talk about the latest trends in treatment and how best to support a loved one who has been diagnosed. Mr. Perry is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in private

practice in Fairfax. He specializes in treating men and boys experiencing mental health issues and substance use disorders. **Presented by David Perry, LCSW**

*Practical Strategies for  
Supporting a Loved One w/ FASD*  
Monday, January 28  
6:30-8:00 PM

Supporting a child diagnosed with FASD requires everyone involved to understand the brain based aspect of this diagnosis, and how to use neuro-behavioral strategies to ensure their success. We will strive to better understand how our children's brains work and discuss strategies to help them to be more successful, and us to be less frustrated. Presenter

Barbara Clark has spent over 25 years working with at risk youth in public schools, is an adoptive parent of a child with FASD and currently works with the North American Council on Adoptable Children (NACAC) coordinating post-adoption supports. **Presented by Barbara Clark**

*FASD in Schools*  
Thursday, February 7  
6:30-8:00 PM

For those impacted by prenatal exposure to alcohol, school performance and educational success may feel beyond reach. Appropriate educational supports and services can make a difference. In the third webinar in our series, FFF's Executive Director will offer information about special education procedures and

share strategies for securing appropriate educational services and developing FASD-friendly goals. **Presented by Kelly Henderson, PhD**

**Trainings are free of charge.** These sessions are open to **all** parents, caregivers, and professionals, though content will address issues of particular relevance to foster, adoptive and kinship families. Formed Families Forward offers training and support for foster, adoptive and kinship families raising children and youth with special needs. Register at [www.FormedFamiliesForward.org](http://www.FormedFamiliesForward.org), or 703-539-2904. NOTE that EACH webinar has its own registration.

