

FETAL ALCOHOL & OTHER NEUROBEHAVIORAL CONDITIONS: Understanding & Application of a Brain-Based Approach

A Three-Day Workshop for Parents and Professionals

~~Facilitator: Diane V. Malbin, MSW~~

- WHEN:** February 2-4, 2012
9:00 am – 4:00 pm
- WHO:** For parents, other caregivers and professionals who live and/or work with children, adolescents, or adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders or other neurobehavioral conditions
- WHERE:** The Mark Spencer Hotel
Portland, Oregon
- COST:** \$395 (Registration form is attached)

Quotes from previous workshop participants:

"It was a fantastic training! I appreciate all of the useful and enlightening information that I received at the training." -- Juvenile Probation Officer

*"The only workshop I have been to where I haven't spent time looking at my watch."
-- Teacher consultant*

*"I have attended numerous seminars this year on FAS. I leave today feeling more equipped to do my job today than at any other conference."
-- Professional, residential treatment center*

"I loved this training. I learned a lot and would recommend this to everyone." -- Parent

"I cannot say enough good things about this workshop - it is absolutely the best workshop that I have attended in 25 years....and I have attended a lot, on a lot of different aspects of psychology!" -- Ph.D. psychologist

"The three of us who have been trained still talk about the impact made upon us....we thank you on a daily basis for providing us with clearer lenses through which to see our students and families." -- Teacher

*"Ta-da! There are ways to help someone once you realize they are looking at the world differently than yourself – and it is their 'normal.' By far the best information/ training I have received in years. And I didn't nod off once! And I am not a morning person."
-- Lawyer*

"The most useful and thought provoking seminar I have attended." -- Parent

"I've had so many questions answered that I didn't even know that I had. All the pieces of the puzzle now fit: My clients now need different help, and I am now informed on how to educate others and provide the appropriate accommodations. This has given me hope. Thank you" -- Living skills and employment coordinator

“This training has been a very eye-opening experience. It’s like I finally see the light! This is most definitely the most helpful training I’ve ever been to and will be extremely helpful in understanding my customers better and making their services more effective.”
-- Personal agent, brokerage firm for developmentally disabled people

“Inspired by all the caring, committed people who came and all the children they are helping.” – Parent

Overview:

This session provides information about FASD and the effects of other drugs on behaviors of children, adolescents and adults. FASD is a brain-based, neurobehavioral condition. The training will educate you on the current status of research for identification and a best practices approach to treatment and accommodations. Case examples of successful diagnosis, treatment and accommodation are central to this training.

This is intended for professionals as well as parents and other caregivers of children with confirmed or suspected FASD and other brain-based conditions. Our experience is that the training is enriched by having parents of children with FASD in the same group as professionals.

Objectives:

- **Understand FASD as a brain-based physical disability with behavioral symptoms**
- **Understand and recognize primary, secondary and tertiary symptoms**
- **Learn why people with FASD frequently receive overlapping DSM diagnoses**
- **Understand why traditional behavioral treatment techniques are frequently ineffective for many people with FASD**
- **Learn to develop and apply effective strategies for people with FASD in different settings**

CEU Credits: 19.5 hours of Continuing Education Credit for NASW (National Association of Social Workers) and ACCBO (Addiction Counselor Certification Board of Oregon) have been approved. Certificates of completion will be provided. All participants will also receive a general certificate of completion for the training.

The Instructor:

Diane V. Malbin, MSW, is an internationally recognized authority on FASD. She is the founder of the nonprofit organization, FASCETS (Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Consultation, Education and Training Services, Inc.). She is the author of numerous papers and publications on FASD, and conducts trainings throughout the United States, Canada and Europe.

Registration: Registration form is attached. Seating is limited - please register early.

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More quotes from previous workshop participants:

*"Wow... How many people you are reaching and educating about FASD. Really changed my point of view about this disorder as a brain disability. I noticed a development of compassion and a true paradigm shift in the audience."
– Professional, Native-American organization*

"Very helpful and informative. One of the best conferences I've ever attended. Thank you!" – School psychologist

*"Enlightening/ Paradigm shift – I made it! I will never look at behavior the same as I did."
-- Professional, educational service district*

"All about making a better world for our kids and adults. Fabulous!" – Professional, behavioral healthcare organization

"The conference was THE BEST I've been to in all of my years of teaching. It has helped me dramatically in dealing with my parents with FAS kids and the kids, too." -- Teacher

"My only suggestion would be to provide this training more often and in every kind of community." – Parent educator

"Comprehensive, informational, exciting, constructive. This may have been the most helpful workshop ever!" – Family support worker, child development center

"Enlightening, hope-bringing, supportive. Thank you" -- Parent

*"Incredibly informative and eye-opening. Thank you!"
– Professional, independent living organization*

"It was extremely informative, and professionally shifting of my understanding of behaviors and their source. Now I'm better able to intervene with more appropriate and helpful strategies as well as with more compassion." -- Professional

"This workshop profoundly changed my life; which in turn will change my daughters' lives. I am walking away with a whole new outlook on my children, my parenting, their education, our home life, and our home environment. I have NEVER wanted a workshop to not end." -- Parent

“Validation, renewal, inspiration. This has been one of the best trainings I’ve had in a VERY LONG TIME. I feel more peaceful.” – Parent

“Enlightening, empowering, motivational / This training re-affirmed for me why I want to be a foster parent and why I want to become a special education teacher. I have never enjoyed a multiple day training until this one.” – Professional, behavioral healthcare organization