

# Maryland FASD Coalition

Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene  
Family Health Administration  
Center for Maternal and Child Health



*“GO for the GOLD to ESTABLISH and SUSTAIN a FASD  
COORDINATOR POSITION in YOUR STATE: LESSONS  
LEARNED FROM A STATE UNFUNDED”*

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- *Mission*

*Our mission is to prevent FASD and create an enduring, integrated system of care system of care for individuals and their families that assures lifelong access to services that are comprehensive, coordinated, continuous and culturally appropriate.*

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- ***Our Vision***

We envision a Maryland where Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) are rare and identified as early as possible to minimize disability and maximize the quality of life for affected individuals and their families.

- ***Goals***

- All Marylanders will understand the dangers of any alcohol use during pregnancy.
- All Marylanders will understand of the impact of FASD on Maryland workforce and economy.
- All Marylanders have access to diagnosis, treatment and support services for FASD.
- Marylanders who need access to screening, treatment or support services for FASD will not be hampered by stigma or discrimination.

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- Working with No Funding Means....
  - No Budget
  - Inflating Costs
  - No Grant Writers
  - Budget Cuts
  - Thinking of New Strategies
  - Being Professional Beggars



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## How does a coalition function without funding...

- **MEMBERSHIP**
- **PARTNERSHIPS**
- **CO-SPONSORSHIPS**
- **MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH**

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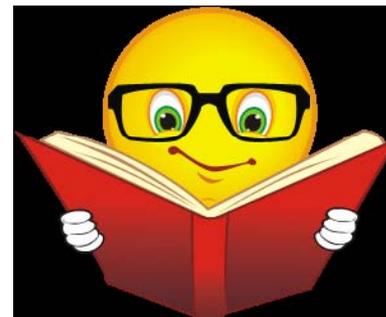
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# Maryland FASD Coalition Members

## Advantages of Coalition Members

- Free Speakers
- Funding Support
- Partnerships
- Production of Educational Materials
- Conference Coordinators
- Other Resources
- Website



# PARNTERSHIPS

- University of Maryland School of Social Work
- Local Churches
- Managed Care Organizations
- Girl Scouts of America
- National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum (NOFAS)
- Women's Charities of Maryland
- Johns Hopkins-Kennedy Krieger Institute
- Local Health Departments
- Many other non-profit organizations
- Colleges and Universities

# CO-SPONSORSHIPS

- Social Workers Workshop
- FASD Month Display
- Grand Rounds
- Webinars: June/August/November

# MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

FASD MD is also supported by:

- ASTHMA PROGRAM
- CHILDHOOD HEALTH PROGRAM
- HEALTHY TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS
- BREASTFEEDING PROMOTION
- WOMEN'S HEALTH
- BABIES BORN HEALTHY



M A R Y L A N D  
**PRAMS**  
Pregnancy Risk Assessment  
Monitoring System

# Future Projects

- **Future Projects**

- Presentation for Maryland Judges
- 2011 Statewide FASD Conference
- Public/Private Health Insurance Agencies
- Promote for a FASD curriculum with the Colleges and Universities
- Local Bars and Restaurants
- Dinner and Lecture Series for Physicians



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# THANK YOU



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