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FASD

WE HAVE THE
ANSWERS

 **CanFASD**
CANADA FASD RESEARCH NETWORK

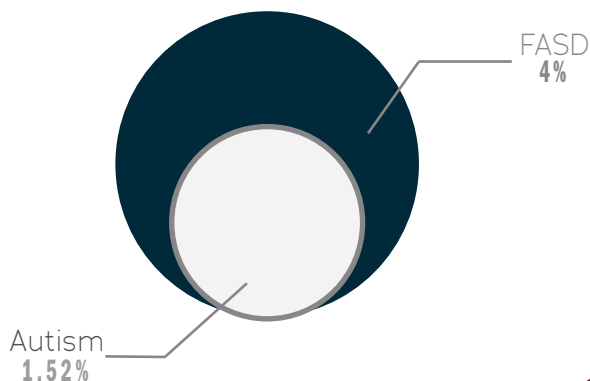
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What is FASD?

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) is a diagnostic term used to describe the impacts on the brain and body of individuals prenatally exposed to alcohol. FASD is a lifelong disability. Each person with FASD has both strengths and challenges and will need special supports to help them succeed with many different parts of their daily lives.

FASD is an extremely complex and unique disability. It is challenging to recognize and diagnose. FASD is not just a health issue. The impacts extend across multiple sectors, including healthcare, education, employment, addictions services, child welfare, housing, and criminal justice systems. The cost per case of FASD is estimated at \$27,000 annually and the incremental cost over a lifespan is estimated at \$1.1 million per person.

FASD is one of Canada's leading developmental disabilities, 2.5 times more common than Autism.



The annual cost of FASD in Canada is estimated to be
\$9,700,000,000

About Us

We are Canada's only national organization focused on addressing FASD. Our network brings together the voices of researchers, professionals, service providers, policy makers, and people with lived experience to improve knowledge and expertise in this field. Our goal is to inform policy, practice, and decision-making at all levels.

BECOME A MEMBER

And get access to a trusted agency to turn to for answers to important policy questions

“CanFASD is the trusted Canadian source for FASD assessment protocols and evidence-based intervention plans. Their online courses are the best you will find anywhere. I strongly recommend the Ontario government renew their support for this treasured Canadian research network.”

-Nancy Lockwood
FASD Consultant and
Educator, Ottawa

Member Benefits

We offer a unique opportunity for provinces and territories to benefit from the expertise of our network through our jurisdictional membership. The member fee helps to support CanFASD's daily operations to improve FASD knowledge in your jurisdiction.

Get the Answers

- Policy-relevant information and recommendations on topics and issues related to FASD tailored to Ontario's needs and priorities upon request
- Opportunities to collaborate on research and have input into CanFASD's research priorities

Build Connections

- Intra-provincial networking and learning opportunities with other member jurisdictions to build on experience and expertise from across Canada
- Annual learning events, such as presentations, workshops, and/or symposia, held in Ontario
- Annual visits and presentations by CanFASD staff to improve your knowledge of FASD

Improve Practice

- Claudette Bradshaw FASD Innovation Award open to residents of Ontario
- Discounts to CanFASD online courses for residents of Ontario
- Foundations in FASD online course free for residents of Ontario

Provincial Representation

- Travel awards available to researchers and students in Ontario to fund their participation in national and international events
- Ontario representation on CanFASD's Family Advisory Committee to speak on behalf of the caregivers in your province

Annual member fee: \$200,000

BECOME A MEMBER TODAY!

Jurisdictional memberships provide the opportunity to reduce some of the long-term costs of FASD in your province. Provinces and territories who are members of CanFASD are significantly advanced in their response to FASD.

“Provinces and territories who become members of CanFASD benefit from increased research capacity, advice and assistance in evidence-based policy and program development, and collaboration with other member jurisdictions.”

-Audrey McFarlane
Executive Director
CanFASD

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