

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder

(FASD) Coalition of York Region

PRESENTS

CAN'T NOT WON'T

a one-day conference on FASD

"Imagine being unable to do something, despite your best efforts, and yet other people constantly assuming that you are able. They think you won't do it -- you know you can't do it. You can't do it because alcohol destroyed thought patterns and connections long before you were born. It isn't your fault, but sometimes society, your parents, your friends, your teachers think it is."

Dorothy Badry, Donna Debolt

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How many children have you worked with over the years? 100? 500? 1000? With the incidence of FASD known to be 1 in 100, you have probably worked with children who are affected by prenatal exposure to alcohol.

- ➔ FASD is the leading cause of developmental delays (approximately 1 child in 100 births is affected). This is higher than autism, Down's Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy or Spina Bifida.
- ➔ Unlike marijuana, heroin or cocaine, alcohol causes extensive, permanent damage to the developing baby.
- ➔ Children with FASD do not respond well to consequences, time out, token reward systems or verbal cues.

So what does work—join us on October 30th for a one-day conference on **Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder** and learn:

- ➔ How FASD manifests at various ages.
- ➔ Where to have children diagnosed.
- ➔ How to support children /youth at home, school and work.

Speaker: **DONNA DEBOLT**, BSW, RSW, FASD Specialist
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Date: **Tues. October 30, 2007**

Time: **9:00a.m.—4:30 p.m.**

Where: **Glenway Country Club** (www.glenwaycountryclub.com (950) 853-5590)
470 Crossland Gate, Newmarket (South side of Hwy 9/Davis Dive, between Bathurst & Yonge)

Cost: **\$50.00** (includes lunch—with vegetarian option)

FASD

Please make cheque (\$50.00) payable to:
"Blue Hills Child and Family Centre"

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Note: Priority will be given to people who live/ work in York Region. All others will be kept on a waiting list and notified after October 1/07 if there is space available.