

This conference will give delegates attending, an overview of the problems that a client with FASD experiences.

The need for a stable, secure and structured home environment to prevent secondary disabilities.

- Mental Health Problems
- Disrupted School Experience
- Trouble with the Law.
- Confinement.
- Inappropriate Behaviour
- Alcohol/Drug Problems
- Problems with Employment
- Problems With Parenting

The workshop will help identify the need for more information and awareness.



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#### Facilitators:

##### Dr Raja Mukherjee, Consultant Psychiatrist.

Dr Raja Mukherjee, is a Consultant Psychiatrist for people with learning Disability in Surrey and Border Partnership trust. He has a lifespan interest and expertise in neurodevelopmental conditions such as Autism and ADHD. His interest specifically in FAS started 5 years ago. The discovery that there was very little UK work into FAS led him to begin to research, teach, publish as well as see patients with FAS clinically. Dr Mukherjee has given evidence on FAS to the DOH, House of Lords and is a member of the NOFAS UK medical advisory panel. He has spoken at over 20 national, regional, and international conferences on the subject of FAS. Dr Mukherjee has published numerous articles in peer reviewed journals and lay press about FAS as well as appearing on numerous TV programmes on the subject. Dr Mukherjee is currently one of the few people in the UK specialising in children and adults with FAS, offering tertiary level advice and support in order to raise the profile of the condition in the UK.

##### FASD Educator Toronto Canada.

**Mary K. Cunningham, B.Ed, P.H.Ec, FASD Educator and Advocate.** Mary is a professional home economist and Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder educator and advocate. She is retired from a 30-year career as a secondary school educator with experience as a teacher, department head, educational consultant, curriculum developer, and textbook author. For most of her career has taught in Canada.

Mary met FASD head on in 1998 when she realized, after 18 years of very challenging parenting, that her second child had ARND, the most common form of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder. Parenting a young person with FASD changed her professional practice and underscores her current education and advocacy efforts in FASD prevention and intervention.

Her focus at present is success for students with FASD and the welfare of people with FASD in the justice system. She is published on both of these topics and presents widely on FASD across Canada. She was a co-author of the student text, Parenting in Canada, (Thomson, 2003) and a writer-researcher for the website [www.fasdjustice.on.ca](http://www.fasdjustice.on.ca).

##### **Gloria Armistead Parents perspective:**

Gloria is the founder and full time volunteer of FASawareUK. She is also the adopted parent of a child (15) with Foetal Alcohol Syndrome. Gloria shares her experiences of FASD with many groups, sharing presentations as a volunteer.

She has gained 4 accredited distance-learning courses, at Saskatchewan University Canada and Wisconsin & Madison University USA. Facilitator accredited training at Double Arc Toledo Ohio USA. Working towards counselling diploma. She has set up North West Support Group and helped facilitate others through out UK.

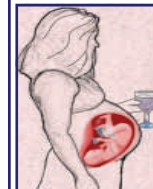
## Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)

**“What is it? How it happens & It's impact on education.”**

**27th March 2009**

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**9.00am Registration**  
**9.30am prompt start.**  
**Finish 3.30pm**



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**FASD Resource and Educational**  
**Information Centre for UK**  
**Support Groups**  
**and Forum**

See website

[www.fasaware.co.uk](http://www.fasaware.co.uk)

**Theme:**

To provide FASD awareness, information and education strategies , The workshop will include PowerPoint presentations and personal experience.

This conference is aimed at all levels of society re: Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder.

**Who should attend:**

- Health professionals,
- Health visitors,
- Social Workers & Social Care workers,
- Midwives,
- Behavioural teams,
- Speech Therapists,
- Occupational Therapists,
- Sensory Integration Therapists,
- Paediatricians,
- Educators,
- Nurses,
- GP's,
- Alcohol & Drug teams,
- Alcohol Agencies,
- Addictions professionals,
- Psychologists,
- Psychiatry,
- Judges,
- Magistrates,
- Police,
- YOT teams,
- Carers for looked after children, Parents (inc. Adoptive and Foster).
- All services dealing with children, youth and adults

**Aims:**

To alert the professional sector dealing with FASD, to be aware many clients may have the syndrome but have not been diagnosed.

Increase or introduce the participants awareness of FASD and its issues

Increase the participants knowledge of how and what to do when dealing with students/clients affected by FASD

Introduce strategies when dealing with those suffering from FASD.

Create the possibility of community partnerships to deal with FASD.

To de-mystify FASD, and create empathy for those who suffer with FASD.

**Education strategies for the classroom.**

**The Conference will help identify the need for more information and awareness.**



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## Booking Form

[Book on website www.fasaware.co.uk](http://www.fasaware.co.uk)

Name

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Address

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Phone Number:

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Occupation /Agency:

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Email address

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Signature

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**Cheques payable to:**

FASawareUK  
c/o 45 Lakeside Ave  
Billinge  
WN5 7BJ

**Fee: £50.00**

**Parents/carers £11**

**Refreshments and lunch provided**