

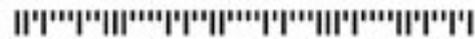
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- FASD** Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders
- FAS** Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
- FAE** Fetal Alcohol Effects
- ARBD** Alcohol Related Birth Defects
- ARND** Alcohol Related Neurodevelopmental Disorder



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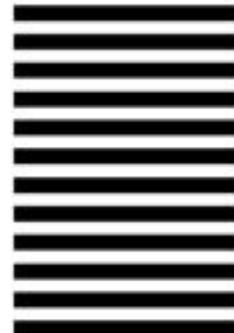
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About The Academic Edge

The Academic Edge, Inc. creates innovative, media-rich learning environments to support children and adults. We have produced engaging media for both the private and public sector. Current projects include a multimedia HIV/STD curriculum for middle schools, a multimedia conflict resolution program for tweens and teens, videos about the ADHD diagnostic process, and VHS and DVD training modules on HIV/STD risk assessment and counseling skills. We have also developed a CD-ROM and Web-enhanced program on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome/Fetal Alcohol Effect aimed primarily at healthcare providers.

The Academic Edge, Inc. has a tutoring and test preparation division headquartered in Lexington, Kentucky. Established more than 20 years ago, The Academic Edge has been providing primary, secondary and collegiate tutoring, test preparation, and counseling to hundreds of children, adolescents and adults.



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If you could shorten your "Wish I knew" list about FASD, how much easier would your life be?

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While caring for a child, you face many challenges. If the child has serious health problems, those challenges multiply.

That's especially true in raising children with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD). Physical, behavioral, emotional, and developmental problems follow these children throughout their lives.

The challenges can seem overwhelming. The task too great. Resources too scarce.



But there's hope and help. Better interventions. Helpful tips. And successes. The Academic Edge wants to share those stories, and make every parent's "Wish I knew" list much shorter.

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The National Institutes of Health has awarded The Academic Edge a grant to produce an educational FASD program for parents and other care providers. This full-scale production will bring the latest information to those who need it the most: caring people just like you.

The program will feature practical knowledge and advice from healthcare professionals and FASD parents—information that takes you beyond textbooks and into the living rooms and lives of families who deal with FASD daily.

But to make sure you get the most helpful information, we need to hear from you.

Tell us your "Wish I knew" list by completing this short survey and dropping it in the mail. Postage is already paid for you.

You'll help yourself and countless others who are searching for answers and turn "Wish I knew" into "Now I know."

For the following questions, we ask about FASD. When answering, please keep in mind that FASD includes other terms and disorders such as FAS, FAE, and ARND.

- Have you ever cared for a child who had any form of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder?
 yes no
If you answered "yes" to #1, please continue the survey and answer the remaining questions. If you answered "no" to #1, skip to question #5.
- How many FASD children have you cared for? 1 2 3 4 5 6+
- How old was each child when you first began to care for him or her? _____
- Are you still caring for an FASD child today? yes no
- Have you ever suspected one of the children you cared for might be affected by FASD but was not diagnosed (not including children previously identified under 1-4 above)?
 yes no
- What information do you think is needed *most* to help raise an FASD child?
(check up to five choices)

<input type="checkbox"/> How to identify FASD	<input type="checkbox"/> Behavioral interventions
<input type="checkbox"/> Developmental issues at each stage of life	<input type="checkbox"/> Learning strategies
<input type="checkbox"/> Parent support groups	<input type="checkbox"/> Financial assistance
<input type="checkbox"/> Coping with grief and other parenting emotions	<input type="checkbox"/> Understanding the range of health care services needed
<input type="checkbox"/> How to work with the school system	<input type="checkbox"/> Legal aid
<input type="checkbox"/> Support from social service agencies	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(please be specific)</i> _____
<input type="checkbox"/> How to talk with medical doctors	_____
- Have you ever had any training on FAS/FASD? yes no
- What aspects of FASD do you wish you knew more about? _____

- What services, resources, or information do you wish were available to families who care for FASD children? _____

- If this information were available in one place, which would you *most likely* use regularly?
(check only one answer) DVD CD-ROM Web site workbook reference book
- When we complete our product, we'd like to let you know about it. Please provide your contact information so we can send you a notice of its availability.

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