

September is **FASD AWARENESS** month

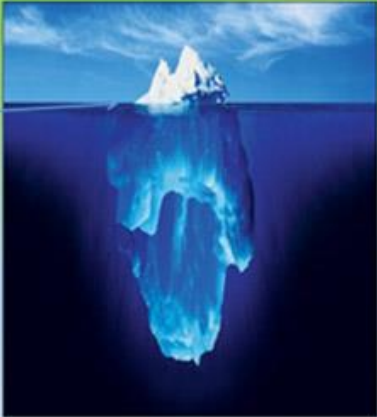
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The most well-known type of FASD is fetal alcohol syndrome, or FAS. However, FAS is not common and is often considered to be the "tip of the iceberg". It requires the presence of specific facial features, small growth, and evidence of a significant level of brain dysfunction. The facial features are only impacted by alcohol exposure that occurs during the 3rd to 4th week of pregnancy.

FASDs present along a continuum

- Behavioral, cognitive, neurological, and physical symptoms

- Fetal alcohol syndrome (FAS)
- Partial fetal alcohol syndrome (pFAS)
- Static Encephalopathy
- Neurobehavioral Disorder
- Neurobehavioral disorder associated with prenatal alcohol exposure (**ND-PAE**) in Appendix of DSM-V



Other conditions along the spectrum can include alcohol-related neurodevelopmental disorder (ARND), alcohol-related birth defects (ARBD-evidence of structural damage from alcohol such as the facial features of FAS or other skeletal or organ abnormalities), and neurobehavioral disorder associated with prenatal alcohol exposure (ND-PAE which is a diagnosis in the American Psychiatric Association DSM-V appendix).