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Phase 3 - Implementing the Research Plan
April 2009 - March 2012



Our Mission

To create, nurture and sustain a collaborative environment which produces relevant research leading to the prevention of FASD and to a significant improvement in the lives of affected individuals, their families and their communities.

Our Goals

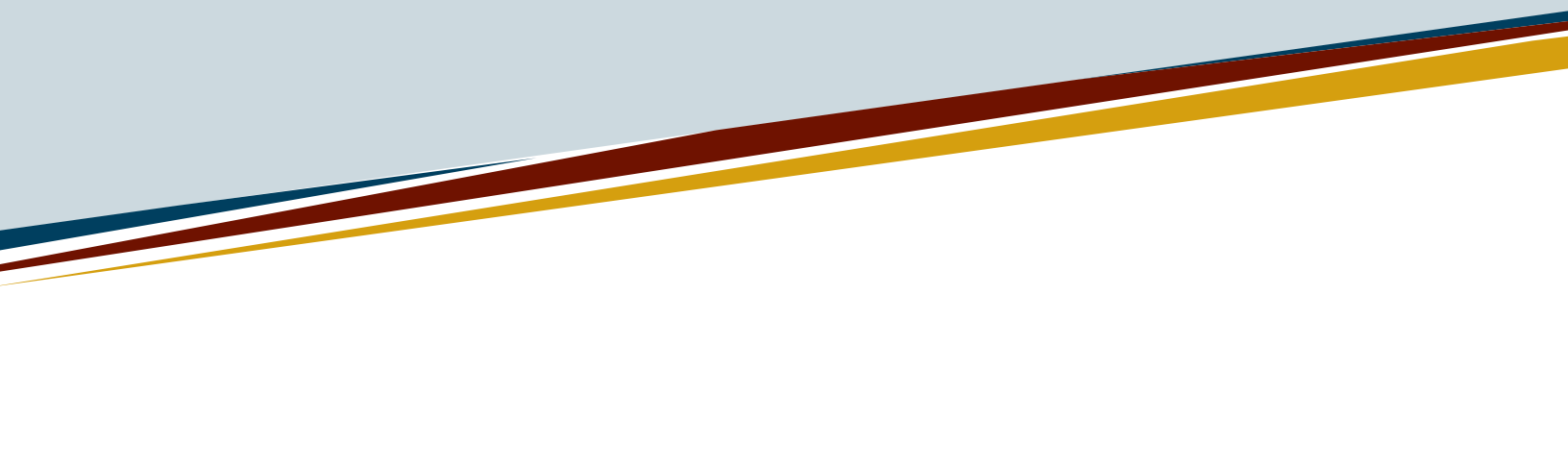
- ▶ To develop and foster relationships, research programs, and initiatives across the spectrum of FASD activity
 - ▶ To be sensitive to community and cultural needs
 - ▶ To facilitate and enhance productive linkages across jurisdictions, communities, and disciplines
 - ▶ To answer high priority questions about the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of FASD
 - ▶ To disseminate empirically validated knowledge about the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of FASD
 - ▶ To inform policy, practice and decision making
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Message from the Chair

The Board of Directors for the Canada Northwest FASD Research Network (CanFASD Northwest) is pleased to celebrate another successful year of activity. Since 2005, we have seen CanFASD Northwest grow steadily into its current role as a leader in supporting collaborative, multi-disciplinary, and intersectoral research in a wide range of topics centred on FASD diagnosis, intervention and prevention. CanFASD Northwest has evolved into a strong organizational structure, which now offers a solid foundation for creating and sharing new knowledge needed by governments, service providers, families, and communities to improve the outcomes across the lifespan. With this work, we have increased capacity for FASD research in Northern and Western Canada.

Results of our the Network Action Teams research has been reported in peer-reviewed, scientific journals, at professional meetings, and in reports for service providers, families, and policy makers. Canada is increasingly seen as a world leader in clinical work in FASD, and CanFASD Northwest has played a significant role.

As we look to the future of the CanFASD Northwest, we remain focused on both expanding and sustaining our organization, ensuring that we can remain responsive to the changing economic and social conditions in which people with FASD and their families live, and that new findings from this research are made accessible to those who can best use it to make change.

We thank the Canada Northwest FASD Partnership for their continued leadership and commitment to seeing this important work continue.

Audrey McFarlane
CanFASD Northwest Board of Directors, Chair

Message from the CEO and Scientific Director

I met a young man on a side street in a Canadian town I was visiting. He had a bandage on his forehead and a swollen cheek. He held out his hand. His thin body looked cold even in the too big jacket and the gentle morning air. His face gave me some information. It was the face of fetal alcohol syndrome. He was not interested in talking to me, not really. I gave him a couple of loonies and he shuffled away. Neither of us seemed much happier.

FASD remains an epidemic problem of extraordinary complexity. How many people are at the margins of society; cold, lonely, confused, lost and all stemming from a lifetime of frustration and failure that began with brain damage from alcohol exposure in-utero? Statistics say that hundreds of thousands of Canadians are affected by FASD. Statistics say that they are not actually being ignored, although the vast majority have never been accurately diagnosed.

The Canadian governments have tried to reach them, by serving some aspect of their dysfunction or another, through education, social services, mental health, or the justice system. Statistics suggest that this has been expensive and not very effective. Finally, statistics do not tell us if Canada has been effective in preventing new cases of FASD because the types of studies that would give that information have not been done. We must do better. We must.

This report demonstrates the tremendous efforts being taken to develop information that can be translated into improved policies in FASD diagnosis, intervention and prevention. We are proud of our role in meeting this enormous societal challenge. This report covers Phase 3 of the CanFASD Northwest's three-year work plan (fiscal years 2010-2012).

To accomplish our work we rely heavily on collaborations with researchers, clinicians, advocates, families, communities and government agencies. We are proud of our work, and our progress, and wish to thank everyone who has helped us to advance the field and to help those in need from FASD.

Sterling K. Clarren, MD, FAAP
CEO and Scientific Director

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Thank You

Research conducted by the Canada Northwest FASD Research Network would not be possible without the generous support of numerous government partners, organizations and individuals. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Canada Northwest FASD Partnership, and each of the seven jurisdictions – Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, the Northwest Territories, Nunavut, Saskatchewan and the Yukon. We would also like to thank the Provincial Health Services Authority of British Columbia for the support provided as the host agency for CanFASD Northwest.

Key Actions 2010 - 2011

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Key Action 1

We will stimulate foundational human research in priority areas of diagnosis, intervention, and prevention

Highlights

- ▶ Five fully operational Network Action Teams conducting over 25 different research projects in the areas of diagnostics, intervention and prevention
- ▶ Developed a multi-disciplinary virtual community of practice (VCop) on Adult Diagnostics
- ▶ Pan-Canadian projects funded by Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC)
- ▶ New study on improving treatment for First Nations and Inuit girls and women at risk of having a child with FASD
- ▶ Development of an evaluation framework for community-based FASD programs underway

Key Accomplishments

CanFASD Northwest now has five operational Network Action Teams (NATs) with developing programs of research. Each of these teams has prepared applications to relevant external funding bodies to support their research programs, and have plans to prepare additional grant applications in the next fiscal year. The Central Office and NAT leaders have continued to directly recruit colleagues in research, service provision, and policy roles to move high priority research and knowledge exchange areas forward.

In the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2010-2011 alone, our members produced over 21 papers, journal publications, book chapters, and edited books, as well as providing 32 presentations across the country.

Research in Diagnostics (NAT 1) is currently completing two projects funded by PHAC. The first is a project on the use of the Canadian Guidelines for the Diagnosis of FASD, and the second is on Consistent Collection & Reporting of FASD Diagnostic Data. These pan-Canadian studies are being conducted with clinical programs participating from across Canada.

A study underway by members of Intervention on FASD (NAT 2), looks at executive functioning training in children with FASD. This study is geared towards improvement of executive functioning in children diagnosed with FASD. Participants will be recruited through participating school districts to participate in this intervention study using attention process training combined with metacognitive strategies to improve attention, working memory, and inhibitory skills.

Members from the Evaluating FASD-Specific Public Health and Educational Materials (NAT 3) conducted focus groups about alcohol use during pregnancy. For this study they recruited women within the age ranges of 25-45, with post-secondary education, from Vancouver, Calgary, Saskatoon, Regina, and Winnipeg. These women took part in one-on-one telephone interviews and an online discussion forum. The research team will complete further analysis of the data and complete knowledge translation in August 2011.

Members from the Evaluation of FASD Mentoring Programs Team (NAT 4), completed an inventory of all the mentoring programs for high-risk pregnant women and new mothers in Northwestern Canada based on the Parent-Child Assistance Program (PCAP) model. A report of this first phase is published on the CanFASD Northwest website. Phase two is underway. The intent is to generate sufficient information to create composite descriptions of women who utilize mentoring supports. Emphasis will be on programs that have been in existence for 5 years or longer. Phase three will involve interviews with the women who have completed a three-year PCAP mentoring program.

First Nations and Inuit Health Branch, Health Canada (FNIHB) funded a study, recently completed by Prevention from a Women's Health Determinants Perspective (NAT 5), on improving treatment for First Nations and Inuit women at risk of having a child with FASD. Goal of this project was to use collaborative inquiry processes to identify ways to improve substance use treatment accessibility; to improve understanding of culturally competent options in primary care, addictions treatment and support; and to promote action to improve policies and service delivery when developing a comprehensive strategy for substance use treatment and support for First Nations and Inuit women. This project involves researchers, program evaluators, program managers and staff, and funders in the creation of common evaluation frameworks, and the identification of promising evaluation methods and measures, for FASD prevention and intervention programs.

Key Action 2

We will identify, summarize, and communicate relevant research to inform policy

Highlights

- ▶ Evidence to inform policy and practice produced and presented in a wide range of mediums and forums including 18 different presentations at the 4th International Conference on FASD, March 2011, Vancouver, BC
- ▶ Participated in the writing and editing of two important new books on FASD

Key Accomplishments

This has been another year of significant expansion of CanFASD Northwest's research communications activities. The Network's CEO/Scientific Director, Managing Director, representatives from all five NATs, as well as members from the Board of Directors participated in the Consensus Development Conference on FASD-Across the Lifespan hosted by the Institute of Health Economics. This conference provided an excellent opportunity to showcase the work of our researchers and to highlight policy implications that stem directly from our work.

Out of this conference NAT members participated in the writing and editing of two important new books: *Prevention of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Who is Responsible?* and *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Management and Policy Perspectives of FASD*, both published by Wiley-Blackwell.

CanFASD Northwest's CEO/Scientific Director, Managing Director, Clinical Research Manager, Research Communications Manager, and NAT team members provided, moderated or facilitated 18 different presentations covering diagnostics, intervention and the prevention of FASD at the 4th International Conference on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder, held in March 2011, Vancouver, BC.

Members from Intervention on FASD (NAT 2) have been evaluating an intervention program designed for high-risk youth affected by FASD. This evaluation will provide data intended to inform ongoing program decisions as well as measure outcomes. A paper will be submitted for publication in fiscal year 2011-2012.

Women with FASD are a high-risk group for giving birth to a baby who is prenatally exposed to alcohol. NAT 5 member Deborah Rutman, published three reports this year from a research project on promising substance use treatment approaches for women with FASD. Listings of published works and presentations by each team are listed in the Network Action Team Research section of this report.

Key Action 3

We will communicate FASD research findings to service providers to support identification and implementation of best practices in FASD diagnosis, intervention, and prevention

Highlights

- ▶ Developed and expanding communication via web-based technologies
- ▶ Utilized online survey tools to develop and collect research information in a consistent, cost-effective manner
- ▶ Produced short reports of research and evaluation findings that have implications for policy and practice

Key Accomplishments

CanFASD Northwest uses a unique organizational model, with members from across a vast geographic space. As the Network grows, there are increasing calls for online collaborations. One example of a response to this need has been the creation of the CanFASD Northwest Research Community (www.canfasdcommunity.ca), a growing collaboration between team members, partners and participants.

The site is an online environment where members can collaborate, share research information, research findings, write and edit papers, across geographic space and time zones. Our NATs are using this site in various ways. For example at the 4th International Conference on FASD, a group formed to help advance both the knowledge and processes of adult FASD diagnosis and assessment across Canada. This group consists of Physicians, Neuro-Psychologists and Clinical Psychologists, Speech and Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, Social Workers and Clinic Coordinators, who are connected via this online space.

Although several members are using some forms of web-based communication to engage others and share information outside of the CanFASD Northwest research community, many of our plans to share presentations and engage in other collaborative endeavors remain unfunded priorities.

NATs continue to prepare short reports of research and evaluation findings and syntheses of published literature, which highlight findings that have direct implications for practice. The most recent short reports distributed, *Intervention Across the Lifespan: where are we, where do we need to go?* (see NAT 2, Publications), and *Linking Diagnosis and Prevention: building the next generation of policy responses* (NAT 1), are published on CanFASD Northwest's website.

Key Action 4

We will continue to foster collaborative, multi-site research that increases knowledge and enhances practice

Highlights

- ▶ Future vision and collaboration opportunities meeting conducted with NAT Leads
- ▶ Pan-Canadian pilot studies underway with clinical programs conducting FASD diagnoses
- ▶ All five NATs are conducting collaborative, multi-site research

Key Accomplishments

The Central Office staff conducted a face-to-face meeting in January 2011 with the Network Action Team Leads to enhance our strategic plan, and review directions for research and collaboration. We prepared a vision document for the Partnership highlighting our current challenges — structural and fiscal, short- and long-term objectives, as well as our vision for a sustainable future.

In collaboration with NeuroDevNet, NAT 1 has completed the first project in which all clinics across Canada whose mission is to conduct FASD diagnoses were surveyed on Consistent use of the Canadian Guidelines for the diagnosis of FASD. The second project, Consistent Collection and Reporting of FASD Diagnostic Data is now underway. Both projects are funded by PHAC.

Perceptions of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Identifying and developing systems for healthy living, being conducted by NAT 2, is an inquiry into the experiences of individuals affected by FASD, their caregivers, and their interactions with systems of care.

NAT 3 is assessing the effectiveness of FASD prevention campaigns from multiple countries that use social marketing as a specific approach to prevention. A report on the preliminary findings will be produced in the fiscal year 2011-2012.

NAT 4 is in phase two of creating a comprehensive database of PCAP programs in Northwestern Canada. This study will facilitate future research projects by identifying programs based on key characteristics such as, geographic location, history, number of participants, program philosophy, etc.

Members of NAT 5 are conducting a project to develop a culturally-responsive intervention model addressing links between trauma, FASD prevention, and social determinants of women's health. This study currently involves three communities in the Northwest Territories.

Key Action 5

We will increase awareness among researchers, governments and other concerned stakeholders of the challenges and the opportunities for advancing FASD research priorities in each of the jurisdictions of the Partnership

Highlights

- ▶ Supported capacity building, mentorship, and networking opportunities within in the FASD research community at the 4th International Conference on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder
- ▶ Enhanced communication among researchers, governments and interested stakeholders via multiple electronic mediums

Key Accomplishments

CanFASD Northwest has sought to link and catalyze researchers and research partners to respond to emerging research and evaluation needs in FASD diagnosis, intervention, and prevention. Central Office staff have supported capacity building among researchers with an interest in FASD by connecting them to NATs with which they can develop research and knowledge exchange collaborations. These collaborations are also supported via the website.

In 2011, at the 4th International Conference on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder in Vancouver, BC. CanFASD Northwest hosted meetings, provided networking opportunities and mentorship, special evening sessions, and presented or facilitated multiple presentations to international audiences.

NAT 2 produces a quarterly electronic newsletter (e-newsletter) widely distributed to their multi-disciplinary advisory team, as well as other interested stakeholder groups. Team members from NAT 4 produced an inventory of PCAP across Canada Northwest. To further engage with their stakeholders and the mentor programs, this team is also producing a quarterly e-newsletter to inform subscribers of the ongoing research and to encourage dialogue. Links to these newsletters are on the CanFASD Northwest website.

In June 2010, NAT 5 started a blog called "Girls, Women, Alcohol, and Pregnancy." It features weekly updates on team activities, local and international initiatives related to FASD prevention, events, research updates, commentary and discussion. A link to the site can be accessed via CanFASD Northwest's website or online at fasdprevention.wordpress.com.

Key Action 6

We will take leadership in leveraging research and private funding to move the work of the CanFASD Northwest forward

Key Accomplishments

CanFASD Northwest has been highly successful in attracting research awards and contracts through its Network Action Teams. The Canada Northwest FASD Partnership provided continued core funding of \$650,000 in fiscal year 2010-2011. Of these funds, \$335,524 were directed to the Network Action Teams who in turn leveraged them into an additional \$1,564,879 of research funding. These are external funds from projects where NAT leads are directly involved as a Principal Investigator, Co-Principal Investigator, or Co-Investigator capacity.

All our NATs have prepared proposals for external funding this fiscal year. Details of funds requested and received are available within the Network Action Team Research section of this report.

Our current core funding allows for research accomplishment, core salaries and supports for CanFASD Northwest, but does not allow for much needed infrastructure growth such as technology and communication expansion, knowledge translation and data management. For CanFASD Northwest to grow and extend its range of activities, as outlined in last year's knowledge translation plan, expanded core support will be needed.

In 2009 - 2010, the CanFASD Northwest Board of Directors embarked on a plan to pursue philanthropic funding. This plan for sustainable external funding, beyond that provided by the Partnership, continued to evolve in 2010-2011, and will be actively pursued in the fiscal year 2011-2012.

Key Action 7

We will foster collaboration with First Nations, Inuit, and Métis organizations, governments, and communities to address FASD diagnosis, intervention, and prevention priorities as they emerge within indigenous contexts

Highlights

- ▶ Work is underway on multiple research projects that focus on research priorities of Aboriginal communities

Key Accomplishments

NAT members are currently involved in implementing multiple new research studies in collaboration with indigenous communities. In response to a request from the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch three proposals were submitted, then approved, and the studies are now under way.

Members of NAT 5 have a new project: Trauma, FASD Prevention, and Social Determinants of Women's Health (Brightening Our Home Fire: Women and Wellness Project) which focuses on social determinants of women's health as a primary target for intervention related to both trauma and prevention of FASD. The accepted proposal for this culturally-responsive intervention study was prepared for the First Nations and Inuit Health Branch, and involves three communities in the NWT and addresses links between trauma, FASD prevention, and social determinants of women's health.

Training Trainers, Developing Champions is a pilot project funded by Health Canada to provide training to health care providers on the management of problematic substance use in pregnancy for Aboriginal mothers.

Investigation of Patterns and Trends of Alcohol Consumption By Women of Child-bearing Age is a recently completed study to determine the patterns and trends, by age grouping, of women's use of alcohol in conjunction with birth rates, reported violence statistics, smoking rates, other substance use, drinking contexts/situations and motivations for women. This study identifies gaps and provides recommendations for research, program and policy development and universal and targeted prevention efforts.

Network Action Team Research

CanFASD Northwest's research is conducted through Network Action Teams. These teams are led by established and emerging investigators engaged in research throughout the jurisdictions of the Canada Northwest FASD Partnership. Membership in each of the Network Action Teams is encouraged and facilitated from all jurisdictions with relevant programmatic activities, interest, and expertise. Priority areas for research and action have been generated through extensive consultation with key stakeholders from each jurisdiction of the Canada Northwest FASD Partnership.

Our Teams

Research in Diagnostics, NAT 1 – This team is engaged in research activities to help promote increased consistency, clarity and accuracy to the diagnosis of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder. They are also collaborating with NeuroDevNet, the first trans-Canada initiative dedicated to studying children's brain development.

Intervention on FASD, NAT 2 – This team's focus is on the intervention needs of individuals with FASD across the lifespan. They have established a cross-jurisdictional advisory panel of FASD experts in the areas of research, policy and practice who are using a virtual community of practice as a central place where ideas, interventions, and research can evolve collaboratively.

Evaluating FASD-Specific Public Health and Educational Materials, NAT 3 – This team's focus is on identifying and evaluating the potential impacts of FASD messaging strategies in social marketing and how these campaigns may change women's alcohol use patterns during pregnancy.

Evaluation of FASD Mentoring Programs, NAT 4 – This team's focus is to understand the role of Parent-Child Assistance Programs (PCAPs), and other mentoring support programs aimed at preventing FASD, in the lives of women struggling with high-risk substance use across Canada Northwest.

FASD Prevention from a Women's Health Determinants Perspective, NAT 5 – This team's research is focused on building the knowledge base for FASD prevention through work with women and their support systems on a range of health and social issues.

Research in Diagnostics - NAT 1

Research Grants Received

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Canadian guidelines for diagnosis: Evaluation of knowledge exchange outcomes. Funded by PHAC for \$24,978.00, March – April 2011. PI: Dr. S. Clarren.

Research Grants Confirmed

Consistent Collection and Reporting of FASD Diagnostic Data. Confirmed by PHAC for \$200,000.00, May 2011 – March 2012. PI: Dr. S. Clarren.

Research Grants under Development

Examining the accessibility and efficiency of FASD diagnostic approaches in youth criminal justice system across Canada. Submitted to Canadian Foundation on Fetal Alcohol Research, May 31, 2011. PI: Dr. S. Clarren; Co-I: K. McLachlan.

Publications

Conference Proceeding Publications

Andrew, G. (2010). What is Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) and how is it diagnosed? In E. Jonsson, L. Dennett, & G. Littlejohn (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD): Across the Lifespan, Proceedings from an IHE Consensus Development Conference* (pp.5-9). Edmonton, AB: IHE.

Bertram, C. P., Konarski, R., Keiver, K., Pritchard Orr, A., Khaleel, B., & Clarren, S. K. (2010). Motor abilities following a strength-based intervention program for children with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD): 1st and 2nd year data. *Journal of Sport and Exercise Psychology*, 32(Suppl.), S36.

Clarren, S. (2010). What further research into FASD is needed? Health and social policy. In E. Jonsson, L. Dennett, & G. Littlejohn (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD): Across the Lifespan, Proceedings from an IHE Consensus Development Conference* (pp.158-162). Edmonton, AB: IHE.

Clarren, S. K., Salmon, A., & Sherbuck, M. (2010). The Canada Northwest FASD Research Network. *Journal of Population Therapeutics and Clinical Pharmacology*, 17(2), e299.

Clarren, S. K., & Salmon, A. (2010). A comprehensive approach to Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder. In S. Chatwood, P. Orr., & T. Ikaheimo (Eds.), *Circumpolar Health Supplements 2010 (7): Proceedings of the 14th International Congress on Circumpolar Health, July 11-16, 2010, Yellowknife, Canada* (pp. 225). Finland: International Association of Circumpolar Health Publishers.

McFarlane, A. (2010). Shifting responsibility from the individual to communities of care. In E. Jonsson, L. Dennett, & G. Littlejohn (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD): Across the Lifespan, Proceedings from an IHE Consensus Development Conference 2009* (pp.117-125). Edmonton, AB: IHE.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Salmon, A., & Clarren, S. K. (in press). Developing effective, culturally appropriate avenues to FASD diagnoses and prevention in Northern Canada. *International Journal of Circumpolar Health*.

Book Chapters

Clarren, S., & Salmon, A. (2010). FASD research in primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention: Building the next generation of health and social policy responses. In E. P. Riley, S. Clarren, J. Weinberg, & E. Jonsson (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Management and Policy Perspectives of FASD* (pp.389-398). Weinheim, Germany: Wiley-VCH .

Clarren, S., Salmon, A., & Jonsson, E. (2011). Introduction. In S. Clarren, A. Salmon, & E. Jonsson (Eds.), *Prevention of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder FASD: Who is Responsible?* (pp. 1-25). Toronto, ON: Wiley-VCH.

Edited Books

Riley, E. P., Clarren, S., Weinberg, J., & Jonsson, E. (Eds.). (2010). *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Management and Policy Perspectives of FASD*. Weinheim, Germany: Wiley-VCH.

Clarren, S., Salmon, A., & Jonsson, E. (Eds.). (2011). *Prevention of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder FASD: Who is responsible?* Weinheim, Germany: Wiley-VCH.

Presentations

Bertram, C. P., Pritchard Orr, A., Keiver, K., Konarski, R., & Clarren, S. K. (2010, April 12-13). Finding strengths, building hope: A strength-based intervention for children with FASD. Presentation at the Pacific Rim International Conference on Disabilities, Honolulu, HI.

Clarren, S. K. (2010, April 15). Making an initial diagnosis of FASD in adults: How do we hope to do this? What do we hope to achieve? Why is this anything but straight forward? Keynote presentation at the 4th National Conference on Adolescents and Adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – Facing the Future Together: Where Do We Go from Here? Vancouver, BC.

Clarren, S. K. (2010, April 15). Envisioning a process for adult FASD diagnosis – for who, for what? Presentation at the 4th National Conference on Adolescents and Adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – Facing the Future Together: Where Do We Go from Here? Vancouver, BC.

Bertram, C. P., Konarski, R., Keiver, K., Pritchard Orr, A., Khaleel, B., & Clarren, S. K. (2010, June 10-12). Motor abilities following a strength-based intervention program for children with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD): 1st and 2nd year data. Presentation at the North American Society for the Psychology of Sport and Physical Activity (NASPSPA) Annual Conference, Tucson, AZ.

Clarren, S. K. (2010, July 20). Canadian FASD research: Focus and strategies. Presentation at the FASD Field Trainers Update Conference sponsored by SAMHSA's Center of Excellence, Orlando, FL.

Clarren, S. K. (2010, July 21). FASD programs and services in Canada. Presentation at the FASD Field Trainers Update Conference sponsored by SAMHSA's Center of Excellence, Orlando, FL.

Clarren, S. K. (2010, July 21). What is different in adult diagnosis with FASD? Presentation at the FASD Field Trainers Update Conference sponsored by SAMHSA's Center of Excellence, Orlando, FL.

Clarren, S. K., Salmon, A., & Sherbuck, M. (2010, September 14). The Canada Northwest FASD Research Network. Poster presentation at the 11th Annual Fetal Alcohol Canadian Expertise (FACE) Research Roundtable, Vancouver, BC.

Clarren, S. K. (2010, September 28). Reaching our fullest potential, FASD, call to action. Keynote presentation at the 2010 CNFASDP Symposium: Walking Together – Connecting Practice and Research to Create Change, Whitehorse, YK.

Clarren, S. K., & Bowlby, S. (2010, September 28). Evidence-based approaches to FASD prevention: What do we know? Where do we need to be going? Presentation at the 2010 CNFASDP Symposium: Walking Together – Connecting Practice and Research to Create Change, Whitehorse, YK.

Clarren, S. K. (2010, September 28). Trying to take action for FASD prevention. Workshop presentation at the 2010 CNFASDP Symposium: Walking Together – Connecting Practice and Research to Create Change, Whitehorse, YK.

Clarren, S. K. (2010, November 17). Introduction to the outline of the Treatment Improvement Protocol (TIP). Presentation at the FASD TIP Stakeholders Meeting, Rockville, MD.

Clarren, S. K. (2010, November 18). Current gaps and future direction for FASD research and policy improvement. Presentation at the PHAC 2010 Showcase on Emerging FASD Research and Resources in Canada, Ottawa, ON.

Clarren, S. K., Salmon, A., Pei, J., Thurmeier, R., Burnside, L., & McDermott, J. (2011, March 4). The experience of the Canada Northwest FASD Research Network in collaborations to advance the diagnosis, intervention and prevention of FASD. Presentation at the 4th International Conference on FASD, Vancouver, BC.

Mackay, H., Loock, C., & Clarren, S. K. (2011, March 5). National screening tool kit for children and youth identified and potentially affected by FASD. Presentation at the 4th International Conference on FASD Vancouver, BC.

Clarren, S. (2011, March 16). Where we were, where we are, where we need to go for FASD in Aboriginal communities. Panel presentation at the National FNIHB FASD Forum, Moncton, NB.

Clarren, S. (2011, March 16). The current view of the brain in FASD: The Canadian approach to improved diagnostics, intervention, and prevention. Plenary presentation at the National FNIHB FASD Forum, Moncton, NB.

Clarren, S. (2011, March 17). The historical development of clinical program for FASD: I was there. Presentation at the Elsipogtog Reserve Clinical FASD Diagnostic Team meeting, Elsipogtog, NB.

Clarren, S. (2011, March 24). Profile of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder. Plenary presentation at the FASD ONE Symposium, Toronto, ON.

Intervention on FASD - NAT 2

Research Funds Received

Perceptions of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Identifying and developing systems for healthy living. Funded by Killam Research Fund (Social Sciences, Humanities, Fine Arts) Cornerstones Grant Program for \$6,166.66, September 2010 – 2011. PI: J. Pei.

An evaluation of an intervention program for youth with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD). In-kind funding from Catholic Social Services and the Department of Educational Psychology, Faculty of Education, the University of Alberta, 2010-2011. Co-PIs: J. Pei, C. Rasmussen. Research team: C. Poth, D. Henneveld.

Research Grants under Development

Measuring the effectiveness of dialectical behavior therapy on the adaptive functioning of adolescents affected by Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder. Submitted to Canadian Foundation on Fetal Alcohol Research on May 31, 2011.

Publications

Articles

Pei, J., Badry, D., & Wight-Feske, A. (2010). The Alberta scene on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)– Focus on children and youth. *Journal for Services to Children and Families*, 2, 24-28.

Pei, J., Walls, L., & Rasmussen, C. (2011). Intervention across the lifespan: Where are we at and where do we need to go? Policy document presented at the 4th International Conference on FASD – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, Vancouver, BC.

Newsletters

Pei, J., & Walls, L. (2010, January). Quarterly e-newsletter, 1.

Pei, J., & Walls, L. (2010, April). Quarterly e-newsletter, 2.

Pei, J., & Walls, L. (2010, September). Quarterly e-newsletter, 3.

Pei, J., & Walls, L. (2011, January). Quarterly e- newsletter, 4.

Presentations

Job, J., Pei, J., & Poth, C. (2010, April 14-17). Enhancing the assessment process and implications for FASD-diagnosed students: Documenting the perspectives of classroom teachers, allied professionals, caregivers, and administrators. Poster Presentation at the 4th National Biennial Conference on Adolescents and Adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – Facing the Future Together: Where Do We Go from Here? Vancouver, BC.

Pei, J., & Walls, L. (2010, April 15). Interventions in FASD: Innovation and opportunity through effective collaboration. Presentation at the 4th National Biennial Conference on Adolescents and Adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – Facing the Future Together: Where Do We Go from Here? Vancouver, BC.

Andrew, G., Rasmussen, C., & Pei, J. (2011, January 26). Diagnosis of FASD in the adolescent years. Presentation at the 2010 – 2011 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Learning Series hosted by the Government of Alberta, Edmonton, AB.

Pei, J., Kully-Martens, K. V. & Rasmussen, C. R. (2011, March 2). Source monitoring in children with FASD. Presentation at the 4th International Conference on FASD – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, Vancouver, BC.

Denys, K. A., Kerns, K. A., Pei, J., MacSween, J., & Rasmussen, C. R. (2011, March 3). Executive functioning training in children with FASD. Presentation at the 4th International Conference on FASD – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, Vancouver, BC.

Walls, L. J., Rasmussen, C. R., Pei, J., & Henneveld, D. (2011, March 4). The McDaniel Youth Intervention Program and Collaborative Research Project: Interim findings from an innovative research project. Presentation at the 4th International Conference on FASD – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, Vancouver, BC.

Rasmussen, C. R., & Pei, J. (2011, March 9). Cognitive interventions for individuals with FASD. Presentation at the 2010 – 2011 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Learning Series hosted by the Government of Alberta, Edmonton, AB.

Evaluating FASD-Specific Public Health and Educational Materials - NAT 3

Research Grants under Development

Proposal submitted to Alberta Centre for Child, Family & Community Research (ACCFRC) in April 2011.

Publications

Conference Proceeding Publications

Thurmeier, R. (2010). Inventory of primary prevention campaigns. In E. Jonsson, L. Dennett, & G. Littlejohn (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD): Across the Lifespan, Proceedings from an IHE Consensus Development Conference 2009* (pp.83-88). Edmonton, AB: IHE.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Thurmeier, R., Deshpande, S., & Cismaru, M. (submitted). Conversations with women: Alcohol use during pregnancy. *Health Marketing Quarterly*.

Book Chapters

Thurmeier, R., Deshpande, S., Lavack, A., Agrey, L., & Cismaru, M. (2010). Next steps in FASD primary prevention. In E. P. Riley, S. Clarren, J. Weinberg, & E. Jonsson (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Management and Policy Perspectives of FASD* (pp.175-191). Weinheim, Germany: Wiley-VCH.

Baydala, L., Thurmeier, R., Bergman, J., Whitney N., Salmon, A., & Poole, N. (2011). Five perspectives on prevention of FASD. In S. Clarren, A. Salmon, & E. Jonsson (Eds.), *Prevention of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder FASD: Who is responsible?* (pp. 337-357) Toronto, ON: Wiley-Blackwell.

Presentations

Deshpande, S., Lavack, A., Cismaru, M., Thurmeier, R., & Agrey, N. (2011, March 4). Using social marketing techniques to strengthen primary prevention efforts in FASD. Presentation at the 4th International Conference on FASD – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, Vancouver, BC.

Thurmeier, R. (2011, March 4). CanFASD Northwest's NAT 3: Project update and future directions. Presentation at the Saskatchewan FASD Coordinating Committee Meeting, Saskatoon, SK.

Evaluation of FASD Mentoring Programs - NAT 4

Research Funds Received

Mentoring Programs - What do we know? Inventory of Parent-Child Assistance Program (PCAP) Mentoring Programs in Canada Northwest. This three-phase project is funded by the Canada Northwest FASD Research Network and Healthy Child Manitoba for \$120,000, 2010 - 2012. PI: L. Burnside, Co-investigators: J. McDermott, A. Reinink, P. Gough & S. Tanchak.

Presentations

Burnside, L. & McDermott, J. (2011, March 2 – 5). A Review of Mentoring Programs for High Risk Pregnant Women and New Mothers in Northwestern Canada. Poster presentation at the 4th International Conference on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, Vancouver, BC.

Clarren, S. K, Salmon, A., Poole, N., Thurmeier, R., Pei, J., Burnside, L., & McDermott, J. (2011, March 4). The Experience of the Canada Northwest FASD Research Network in Collaborations to Advance the Diagnosis, Intervention and Prevention of FASD. Presentation at the 4th International Conference on FASD – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, Vancouver, BC.

Publications

Burnside, L., McDermott, J., Reinink, A., Gough P., & Tanchak, S., (2011). Establishing a Research Agenda. Prepared for the Canada Northwest FASD Research Network.

FASD Prevention from a Women's Health Determinants Perspective - NAT 5

Research Funds Received

Towards an evaluation framework for community-based FASD programs. Funded by Public Health Agency of Canada for \$246,043, March 2011 – March 2012. Team members: N. Poole, D. Rutman, S. Hume, C. Hubberstey, M. Van Bibber and the NAT Project Team.

Trauma, FASD Prevention, and Social Determinants of Women's Health. Funded by First Nations Inuit Health Branch for \$152,420, January 2011 – March 2012. PIs: D. Badry, and A. Salmon. Team members: L. Boucher, A. Hache, A. Lockhart, M. Van Bibber, and S. Wight-Felske.

Healing ourselves: Mothers recovering from grief and loss in Vancouver's downtown eastside. Funded by the Victoria Foundation for \$156,000, 2010 – 2011. PI: A. Salmon. Co-investigators: D. Badry, D. Rutman, S. Payne, D. Clifford, S. Lockhart, and M. Van Bibber. Partner institutions: Women's Health Research Institute, Vancouver Area Network of Drug Users, Sheway, and Fir Square Combined Care Unit.

Identifying the long-term impact of MHSD: Supports on client outcomes at Sheway. Funded for \$70,000, 2010 – 2011. PI: A. Salmon. Collaborators: S. Payne, and D. Clifford. Partner institutions: Sheway, and Women's Health Research Institute.

Women with FASD and FASD prevention. Funded by the Victoria Foundation for \$57,680, 2010 – 2011. PI: D. Rutman. Partner institutions: BC Centre of Excellence for Women's Health, the Aurora Centre, Inter Tribal Health Association, Vancouver Island Health Authority, Victoria FASD Community Circle, Canadian National Coalition of Experiential Women, and PEERS Victoria.

FASD interventions and communities of practice. Funded by the Centre for Child, Family, and Community Research for \$100,000, 2010 – 2011. PIs: D. Badry and W. Pelech, Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary.

Does affordable Aboriginal housing have a beneficial impact? Funded by Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council for \$25,000, April 2010 – April 2011. PI: A. Salmon. Co-investigators: N. Jategaonkar, BC Non-profit Housing Association and K. Albers, M'akola Housing Society.

Research Funds Requested

Tri-provincial children and youth with FASD needs assessment, cost and early intervention program outcome research initiative. Submitted to Public Health Agency of Canada. Team members: D. Goodman, D. Fuchs, W. Pelech, and D. Badry.

FACET 6: Pregnancy, alcohol, tobacco and health strategies (PATHS) for youth. Submitted to CIHR Catalyst Grant Maternal Health – From Pre-conception to the Empty Nest. Team members: N. Poole, J. Botoroff, M. Jung & L. Greaves.

Publications

Conference Proceeding Publications

Badry, D. (2010). Policy development in FASD. In E. Jonsson, L. Dennett, & G. Littlejohn (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD): Across the Lifespan, Proceedings from an IHE Consensus Development Conference 2009* (pp.149-153). Edmonton, AB: IHE.

Poole, N. (2010). Prevention of FASD: A broader strategy in women's health. In E. Jonsson, L. Dennett, & G. Littlejohn (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD): Across the Lifespan, Proceedings from an IHE Consensus Development Conference 2009* (pp.103-108). Edmonton, AB: IHE.

Salmon, A. (2010). Strength and support: A women's perspective. In E. Jonsson, L. Dennett, & G. Littlejohn (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD): Across the Lifespan, Proceedings from an IHE Consensus Development Conference 2009* (pp.98-103). Edmonton, AB: IHE.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Dell, C., Niccols, A., & Clarke, S. (2010). Treatment for Aboriginal mothers with substance use problems and their children. *International Journal of Mental Health and Addiction*, 8(2), 320-335.

Drabble, L., Poole, N., Magri, R., Tumwesigye, N. M., Li, Q., & Plant, M. (accepted). Conceiving risk, divergent responses: Perspectives on the construction of risk of FASD in six countries. *Substance Use and Misuse*, 1532-2491. doi: 10.3109/10826084.2010.527419.

Drabble, L., & Poole, N. (accepted). Collaboration between addiction treatment and child welfare fields: Opportunities in a Canadian context. *Journal of Social Work Practice*.

Salmon, A. (accepted). Aboriginal mothering, FASD prevention, and the contestations of neo-liberal citizenship. *Critical Public Health*, First published on: 22 December 2010 (iFirst). doi: 10.1080/09581596.2010.530643.

Salmon, A., Browne, A. J., & Pederson, A. (2010). 'Now we call it research': Participatory health research involving marginalized women who use drugs. *Nursing Inquiry*, 2, 1-10.

Salmon, A., Fielding, L., Poole, N., & Payne, S. (under review). Outcomes from the Fir Square Combined Care Unit: Findings from mother-infant dyads at 3 months post-discharge. Submitted to the *Journal of Midwifery & Women's Health*. September 2010.

Reports

Badry, D. & Bradshaw, C. International environmental scan on adult diagnosis and FASD. Ottawa, ON: Public Health Agency of Canada (to be published as a report and online).

Gelb, K. & Rutman, D. (2011). Substance using women with FASD and FASD prevention: A literature review on promising approaches in substance use treatment and care for women with FASD. Victoria, BC: University of Victoria. Available online.

Rutman, D. (2011). Substance using women with FASD and FASD prevention - Voices of women with FASD: Promising approaches in substance use treatment and care. Victoria, BC: University of Victoria. Available online.

Rutman, D. (2011). Substance using women with FASD and FASD prevention: Service providers' perspectives on promising approaches in substance use treatment and care for women with FASD. Victoria, BC: University of Victoria. Available online.

Book Chapters

Badry, D. (2011). Critical issues of practice and protection in relation to families and Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder. In K. Kufeldt, & B. McKenzie (Eds.), *Child Welfare: Connecting Research, Policy and Practice* (2nd ed.) (pp. 399-410). Ontario: Wilfred Laurier University Press.

Badry, D., Pelech, W., Milne, D., & Stoddard, S. (in press). Awakening the spirit in child and family services. In S. McKay, D. Fuchs, & I. Brown (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Communities of Practice in Alberta: Innovation in Child Welfare Practice*.

Badry, D., Pelech, W., Milne, D., & Stoddard, D. (in press). Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder communities of practice in Alberta: Innovations in child welfare practice. In S. McKay, D. Fuchs, & I. Brown (Eds.), *Awakening the Spirit in Child and Family Services*. CPRC Press: University of Regina, SK.

Badry, D. & Wight Felske, A. (2010). Policy development in Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder for individuals and families across the lifespan. In E. P. Riley, S. Clarren, J. Weinberg, & E. Jonsson (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder FASD: Management and Policy Perspectives of FASD* (pp.259-274). Weinheim, Germany: Wiley-VCH.

Poole, N. (2010). Bringing a women's health perspective to FASD. In E. P. Riley, S. Clarren, J. Weinberg, & E. Jonsson (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder FASD: Management and Policy Perspective of FASD* (pp.161-173). Weinheim, Germany: Wiley-VCH.

Rutman, D., Hubbersty, C., & Hume, S. (2010). British Columbia's key worker and parent support program: Evaluation highlights and implications for practice and policy. In E. P. Riley, S. Clarren, J. Weinberg, & E. Jonsson (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder FASD: Management and Policy Perspectives of FASD* (pp.297-316). Weinheim, Germany: Wiley-VCH.

Tough, S. C., & Jack, M. (2010). Frequency of FASD in Canada and what this means for prevention efforts. In E. P. Riley, S. Clarren, J. Weinberg, & E. Jonsson (Eds.), *Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder: Management and Policy Perspectives of FASD* (pp.27-43). Weinheim, Germany: Wiley-VCH.

Edited Books

K. Bell, D. McNaughton, & A. Salmon, (Eds.). (in press). *Alcohol, tobacco, and obesity: Morality, mortality, and the new public health*. To be published by Routledge Press in May 2011.

Conference Handouts

Hache, A., Badry, D., Salmon, A., Lockhart, S., Wight-Felske, A., & Van Bibber, M. (2011, March). REPORT: Brightening our home fire: Women and wellness project. Handout at the 4th International Conference on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, March 2 – 5, 2011, Vancouver, BC.

Poole, N., & Nathoo, T. (2011) The power of networking. Handout in correlation with a presentation at the 4th International Conference on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, March 2 – 5, 2011, Vancouver, BC.

Blog

FASD Prevention from a Women's Health Determinants Perspective Network Action Team. (2010, August). Girls, women, alcohol, and pregnancy. <http://fasdprevention.wordpress.com/>

Guidelines

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Selected Presentations

Salmon, A., Krausz, M., & Schiltz, C. (2010, April 16). Responding to the needs of adults with FASD and concurrent mental health and substance use problem: Three new approaches. Presentation at the 4th National Conference on Adolescents and Adults with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – Facing the Future Together: Where Do We Go from Here? Vancouver, BC.

Poole, N. (2010, April 20). Preventing alcohol use on the part of young girls and women. Presentation at the Policy and Practice Series, BC Women's Hospital, Vancouver, BC.

Badry, D., Knowlton, T., & Van Bibber, M. (2010, September 28). Mentoring programs – supporting women who are pregnant or post delivery. Presentation at the 2010 CNFASDP Symposium: Walking Together – Connecting Practice and Research to Create Change, Whitehorse, YK.

Poole, N., Massaquoi, N., & Greaves, L. (2010, October 1). Social determinants of women's mental health. Plenary presentation at the Women's Mental Health Conference: Building Networks and Research Capacity, Toronto, ON.

Poole, N. (2010, October 14 – 16). Virtual communities as locations for knowledge translation on women's and perinatal health issues. Presentation at the 2010 AWHONN Canada Conference, Montreal, QC.

Poole, N., & Badry, D. (2010, October 7 – 8). The CanFASD Northwest Research Network Action Team on Women's Health: A hub for qualitative research empowering women. Presentation at the 11th Annual Advances in Qualitative Methods Conference, Vancouver, BC.

Poole, N., & DePage, D. (2010, November 16). Addressing the disconnect between alcohol policy and FASD prevention. Presentation at the APOLNET web meeting.

Poole, N., & Fraser, T. (2010, November 18 – 20). Working respectfully with women, partners and communities to prevent FASD. Presentation at the BC Aboriginal Child Care Society 13th Annual Provincial Training Conference: Healthy Children, Healthy Communities – Mind, Body, Spirit, Vancouver, BC.

Poole, N. (2010, November 22 – 23). Virtual communities as locations for participatory action research and knowledge. Presentation at the 2010 IGH Conference: Innovation in Gender, Sex, and Health Research – Every Cell is Sexed, Every Person is Gendered, Toronto, ON.

Poole, N., Brown, V., Bryans, M., Capyk, S., Dechief, L., Hache, A., & Mason, R. (2010, November 18). What do we mean by trauma-informed care? Webcast presentation sponsored by BC Centre of Excellence for Women's Health, Vancouver, BC.

Poole, N. (2010, November 23). Where do we go from here? Preventing FASD/promoting women's and children's health in the next five years. Presentation at the Atlantic FASD Regional Assembly: Celebrating Successes and Setting Realistic Priorities, Halifax, NS.

Badry, D., & Pelech, W. (2010, November 30). FASD: Communities of Practice Research Project: Research findings. Presentation at the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD): Community of Practice Symposium, Edmonton, AB.

Poole, N. (2010, December 8). Understanding substance use problems and addictions in women as keys to FASD prevention. Presentation at the 2010 – 2011 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Learning Series hosted by the Government of Alberta, Edmonton, AB.

Poole, N. (2011, February 9). What do we mean by trauma-informed care? Presentation at the 2010 – 2011 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Learning Series hosted by the Government of Alberta, Edmonton, AB.

Poole, N. (2011, February 14). Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder prevention: Translating research into policy and practice in BC. Presentation at the Government of British Columbia Inter-Ministry Committee on FASD, Vancouver, BC.

Poole, N., Salmon, A., Hache, A., Rutman, D., & Gammon, H. (2011, March 5). The power of networking – highlights of the work of the Network Action Team on FASD Prevention from a Women's Health Determinants Perspectives, CanFASD Research Network. Presentation at the 4th International Conference on FASD – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, Vancouver, BC.

Poole, N., & Salmon, A. (2011, March 5). Preventing FASD by addressing social determinants of women's health. Presentation at the 4th International Conference on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder – The Power of Knowledge: Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World, Vancouver, BC.

Finances


The Canada Northwest FASD Partnership continued to provide our primary source of infrastructure funding for the fiscal year 2010-2011, with a commitment of \$650,000. This ongoing support provided operational funding for CanFASD Northwest's scientific direction and coordination, knowledge exchange, and data management activities, as well as a total of \$335,524 in core funding for our five Network Action Teams.

As a small organization with big aspirations, CanFASD Northwest's growth and achievements would not have been possible without strong working relationships with our partners. Additional in-kind supports were provided to the CanFASD Northwest Central Office and Network Action Teams by the Provincial Health Services Authority, the Child and Family Research Institute, and by the Network Action Team Lead Agencies: The BC Centre of Excellence for Women's Health, the Alberta Children's Hospital, University of Calgary, University of Alberta, the Saskatchewan Prevention Institute, University of Regina and Healthy Child Manitoba.

CanFASD Northwest's goal is to develop long-term, sustainable, external core funding, which will provide a solid base for researchers to build and share new knowledge to prevent FASD and significantly improve the lives of individuals, families, and communities living with this disability.

Network Action Team Research Funders 2010 - 2011

- Alberta Centre for Child, Family, and Community Research
- BC Ministry of Housing and Social Development
- BC Child and Youth Health Research Network
- Canadian Institutes of Health Research
- Catholic Social Services, Alberta
- First Nations and Inuit Health Branch
- Killam Research Fund
- Law Society, Yukon
- NeuroDevNet
- Public Health Agency of Canada
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- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council
- Victoria Foundation



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