



LOOKING BACK AND PUSHING FORWARD: FASD IN AOTEAROA

Saturday & Sunday : 9th & 10th September 2023
Conference Room 3-4, Distinction Hamilton Hotel & Conference Centre
100 Garnett Avenue, Te Rapa, Hamilton, 3241

DAY 1: SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2023

8.30 Opening ceremony

9.00 Welcome and karakia: Leigh Henderson (Chair) and Diana Kawana (FASD-CAN Board member)
★ Marking International FASD Awareness Day at 9.09am

Looking Back: The Origins of Us - Reflecting on FASD in Aotearoa | Chair: Judge Tony Fitzgerald, (FASD-Can Patron)

9.15 Celebrating how far we have come by understanding where we have been.

This session will cover past and present considerations of FASD in Aotearoa including:

- From Small Beginnings: A Brief History of FASD in Aotearoa | Speaker: Christine Rogan
- Diagnosis & Clinical Practice in Aotearoa | Speaker: Valerie McGinn
- Ten Years of FASD-CAN | Speaker: Claire Gyde (Inaugural Chairperson)
- FASD in the Justice System | Speaker: Judge Tony Fitzgerald (Patron)

10.30 Morning tea

Main Hall: Parallel Session One: FASD & Mental Health
Chair: Kathryn Lawlor (FASD-CAN Board Member)

**Seminar Room - Parallel Session One:
Caregivers - Help is on the Way!**

Chair: RuruHana Brownie (FASD Navigator, Te Tai Tokerau / Caring Families Aotearoa, Regional Co-ordinator)

11.00 Let's Set the Scene
Speaker: Kim Milne (FASD Principal Advisor)

11.00 Growing your Understanding of FASD
and some Quick Wins

Speakers: Anna Gundesen & RuruHana Brownie
(FASD-CAN Navigators)

11.05 FASD & Mental Health: The Lay of the Land in Aotearoa
Speaker: Dr Jamie Speeden, Psychiatrist, Growing Pains

11.35 Psychiatric Considerations relating to FASD
and Mental Health
KEYNOTE Speaker: Dr Mansfield Mela

11.45 Whānau, Whanaungatanga, Whakawhanaungatanga -
Creating Supports through Connections
Speaker: Tania Henderson (FASD-CAN Navigator)

12.15 FASD-CAN AGM

12.45 LUNCH

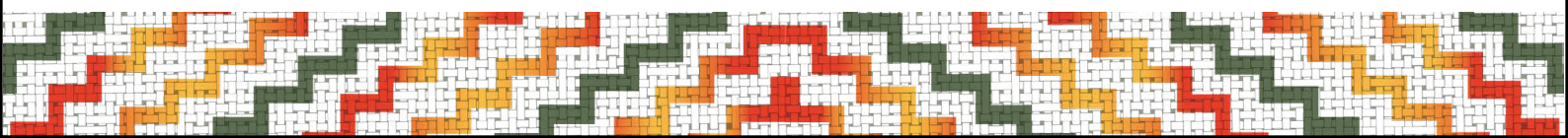
Main Hall: Parallel Session Two: FASD & Mental Health
Chair: Kathryn Lawlor (FASD-CAN Board Member)

**Seminar Room - Parallel Session Two:
FASD by the Alphabet**

Chair: Jo Cottrell (Health Improvement Advisor,
Waikato Public Health)

1.30 FASD & Anxiety, Depression, Self-Harm & Substance Use
KEYNOTE Speaker: Natascha Lawrence

1.30 FASD & the Four B's - Brain, Bowels, Bladder
and Behaviour
Speaker: Lisa Smith, Children's Continence Service



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2.30 FASD & Mental Health - A Māori Perspective

Speaker: Dr André McLachlan,

Clinical Psychologist, Waikato

2.00 An A-Z of FASD in the Waikato

An overview of innovative and progressing FASD activities in the Waikato

Chair: Rose Hawkins (OT Disability Advisor, Waikato)

Kathryn Gilchrist, Clinical Psychologist, Corrections

Nikki Craddock, Social worker, Oranga Tamariki

Karleen Dove, Supervisor Social Worker, Oranga Tamariki

Leah Thompson, Resource Teacher Learning and Behaviour, Education Sector

Nyvyne Krause and Nu'umoe Collins,

Caring Families Aotearoa

Jo Cottrell, Health Improvement Advisor,

Waikato Public Health, Te Manawa Taki

Jasmine Morrison, Director of Enabling Good Lives, Waikato

3.00 AFTERNOON TEA

Pushing Forward: What does the Future Hold? | Chair: Claire Gyde, Chair of OT Disability Advisory Group

3.15 Addressing FASD in Whaikaha: Speaker: Ben O'Meara, Deputy Chief Executive, Whaikaha / Ministry of Disabled People

3.35 Embedding a Consideration of Neurodiversity with Oranga Tamariki

Speakers: Claudia Boyles, Chief Disability Advisor and Peter Whitcomb, Chief Social Worker, Oranga Tamariki

3.55 Café style kōrero with Māori panellists - Lived experiences and solutions that worked for whānau

4.15 The FASD Voice: | Feedback from our Youth and Adults

4.50 Closing for the day and Poroporoaki | Leigh Henderson (Chair) and Huriana McRoberts

5.00 Marking International FASD Awareness Day - activity at the park across the road from the Hotel

DAY 2: SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2023 FASD in Aotearoa - Action Plan and Research

9.00 Welcome and karakia: Leigh Henderson (Chair) and Huriana McRoberts

Main Hall: FASD Action Plan, Projects & Research in Aotearoa, Chair: Leigh Henderson

9.15 Overview of Progress on the FASD Action Plan, Research Projects and Future Steps:

Speakers: Harsh Vardhan and Peter Carter, Te Whatu Ora

10.00 Research on the whole-of-system response to children/tamariki with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) in Aotearoa: Speakers: Liz Smith (Litmus Research)

10.30 Morning tea

11.00 The Development of Diagnostic Guidelines for FASD in Aotearoa: Speakers: Tania Henderson and Guidelines Team

11.30 Research study on Interventions: Nau Te Whatu Māori:

Lived experiences through the eyes of Māori whānau diagnosed with FASD. Speaker: Lizzie Strickett (Hāpai te Hauora)

12:00 Caring in the Chaos: How Caregivers of People living with FASD Survive and Thrive. Speaker: Professor Anita Gibbs

12.30 Closing / Poroporoaki

