Advance Notice

The 3rd International Conference on **Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder**

Integrating Research, Policy, and Promising Practice Around the World:

A Catalyst for Change

Victoria Conference Centre, Victoria, BC, Canada March 11th - 14th, 2009

Conference Description:

FASD is a window through which to view the state of our world. While it has a profound impact on individuals, families and all aspects of society, it is also a stimulus for change. This international conference will provide a forum to discuss and examine current research, policy and practice that will assist parents, caregivers, service systems and governments as they strive to prevent FASD and to provide a range of supports for people living with it. **The emphasis of this conference will be the practical application of various forms of research covering these broad areas:**

Biomedical

- Clinical Diagnosis & Assessment
- Health
- · Legal, justice, corrections

- Social Services
- Family

- Education
- Community

The conference will enhance our knowledge and collaboration, sharing findings of researchers and frontline professionals with recognized expertise and from diverse cultures. Individuals living with FASD, their parents and families, professionals, communities and policy makers will be present and will speak throughout the conference.

Conference Goal & Objectives:

The conference goal is to highlight international research and promising practice as a catalyst for promoting social inclusion and creating healthy communities. Participants can expect to:

- Learn about the current practical application of leading research around the world and its potential to effect future change
- Learn about ways to engage multiple communities at multiple levels and build capacity
- · Establish and nurture linkages across families, communities and international networks
- · Foster clinical and community based research

Who Should Attend:

Aboriginal support program workers; administrators/managers; alcohol and drug counsellors; caregivers; community members; corrections workers; dentists; dental hygienists; educators; education paraprofessionals; employers; employment counsellors; elected officials; family members; family support workers; family and specialty physicians; faith communities; FASD key workers; friendship centre workers; government ministries and departments; infant development consultants; infant mental health clinicians; international indigenous communities; judges; lawyers; mental health counsellors; midwives; nurses; parents; people with FASD; police; policy makers; prevention workers; program providers; public and private funders; psychologists; researchers; registered clinical counsellors; social workers; students; supported child development consultants; teachers; vocational rehabilitation service providers and youth care workers.

Registration Fees:

Early Bird Rates will be available in **October 2008**. Watch our website for more information!

CONFERENCE HOTEL:

The Fairmont Empress, Victoria, BC, Canada Standard Guest Room \$114.00

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Toll free: +1-800-257-7544 Direct: 1-250-384-8111

ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION:

Please check our website for alternative accommodation options:

www.interprofessional.ubc.ca

** We suggest you book your room NOW as we anticipate that our room block will fill up quickly. *Don't miss staying at this heritage hotel!* To reserve a room, please let hotel reservations know that you are booking under the Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Conference room block.

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Call for Presentations

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Please Note: For Presenters of Accepted Paper Abstracts, the conference does not cover honoraria, accommodation, travel or other associated expenses. However, the primary presenter will be admitted to the conference free of charge. Additional presenters and poster presenters will be asked to pay a reduced registration fee. Presenters must be comfortable presenting and answering questions in English. Presenters should be cognizant of the fact that individuals with FASD, family members and birth mothers will be in attendance at this conference.

DEADLINE FOR PRESENTATION SUBMISSION - June 30th, 2008

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Submissions are invited for Conference presentations in the following formats:

Half Day Sessions - Total Length: 3 hours. Workshops should address a relevant conference theme.

Workshops - Total Length: 90 minutes. Workshops are performed by a maximum of 3 presenters addressing a relevant conference theme.

Poster Presentations - Posters will be displayed for the duration of the conference. There will be dedicated time for oral poster presentation. Poster board size is 4'x8' (1.2x2.4m) and all materials must fit within this space.

ABSTRACT FORMAT

The abstract must be typed, 350 words, single-spaced on 8.5"x11" (letter or A4 size) paper; and submitted in English by email (ipinfo@interchange.ubc.ca) in Word Document format (.doc) or in Rich Text Format (.RTF) using minimal text formatting (i.e. tables, etc). Online submission is available at: www.interprofessional.ubc.ca

The following information must be included on all submitted abstracts:

- Title of abstract (in bold letters).
- 2. List primary presenter name first & underlined.
- Organization name(s), country name, presenter name(s). 3.
- Street address, city, province/state, country, postal/zip code, telephone number (with country code), fax number 4. & email address of all presenters.
- 5. Specify which format style you will be using (workshop, poster or half-day session).
- 6. Level of Presentation - Basic/Intermediate/Advanced
- 7. Please indicate the primary theme under which your abstract is submitted. The themes are listed as suggestions only and are not intended to be restrictive.

CONFERENCE THEMES Please choose one primary category which best fits your presentation:

- Addictions
- Cultural

Epigenetics

Prevention

- Biomedical
- Diagnosis & Assessment Ethics
- Intervention Justice/Legal
- Social Justice

- Child Development
 Dual Diagnosis

Education

- Social Services Women

- Clinical Community
- Early Childhood Intervention
 Indigenous

Family Support

- Mental Health

Corrections

- Infant Mental Health
- Policy

· Other: please specify

Location of Event:

Victoria Conference Centre

720 Douglas Street Victoria, British Columbia

Conference Hotel:

The Fairmont Empress

721 Douglas Street Victoria, British Columbia