



**Expression of Interest  
For Public Health Agency Funded Programs (PHAC) AHS, CAPC, CPNP  
*Collaborative, Strength-based Approach to FASD Informed Practice***

**Introduction**

PHAC funded programs focus on parents with children from 0 – 6 years of age who are living in conditions of risk. Workers have observed that many participants in PHAC funded programs display FASD-like behaviours and characteristics. Programs have developed creative strategies in an effort to meet families' unique needs, however, workers recognize the potential benefits of additional FASD education/training along with increased opportunities to explore effective strategies.

*Note: Although FASD diagnosis for adults is more accessible than it once was, the condition is still under-diagnosed as a thorough diagnosis is complex and costly. It's imperative that frontline workers avoid labelling individuals - an accurate diagnosis requires the work of trained clinicians. However, when participants display FASD-like behaviours, it is essential to make appropriate adjustments to practice in order to provide effective supports.*

**Opportunity for Programs**

The College of New Caledonia has been funded by PHAC to coordinate an initiative that is intended to build on existing program strengths in order to enhance services for parents who may live with FASD and to strengthen current FASD prevention activities. In an effort to foster collaboration and strengthen partnerships, programs are encouraged to invite their community partners and other community stakeholders to participate.

***You are invited to submit this form as an expression of interest (EOI) in this exciting initiative.  
This initiative is a limited opportunity for PHAC funded programs - free of charge!***

***Due Date for Submission of Expression of Interest– December 15, 2015***

**What's involved?**

Through consultation with a provincial FASD facilitator, a participating program can determine the structure/focus, date, and potential participants for one and one-half days of training. This training can be offered as one session - one and half days in length or two sessions for separate audiences to increase availability and participation of community partners. Sessions are tailored to meet the unique areas of interest/need and are delivered onsite - in the program community. The facilitator will also provide follow up consultation and support to programs.

***Individual sessions must be completed by March 20, 2016***

Please check your **top priority** - topic areas/activities below:

- Introductory FASD training for program staff, agency partners and other stakeholders
- Facilitated discussions for staff and partners to develop a common language and understanding of the issues around FASD and to explore effective supports/strategies
- Structuring services and exploring strategies to better meet the needs of parents who may live with FASD and to increase engagement in the program and the community
- Introduction to and exploration of the four levels of FASD prevention as related to your program

Name of Program: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Approximately 25 programs across BC, will participate in this initiative. Programs will be selected on a first come first served basis. For more information or to submit your EOI please contact:*

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*Please note: Programs are responsible for providing hospitality i.e. refreshments and a venue.*