

Diagnosis	Issues child may face	Prevalence	What may help
<p style="text-align: center;">FASD Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder</p> <p>Neurodevelopmental disorder/prenatal brain injury</p> <p><i>Note students who have FASD may also have parents who suffer from intergenerational trauma and their parents may also have FASD.</i></p> <p><i>Students may also have a trauma history or may be currently living with trauma</i></p>	<p>Facial features may be evident – however not necessarily.</p> <p>FASD may be diagnosed if there has been pre-natal exposure to alcohol and there is severe impairment in three or more domains. Domains that maybe affected are :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brain structure and neurology - Motor skills - Cognition (includes IQ, verbal and non-verbal reasoning skills, processing speed and working memory) - Language - Academic achievement, - Memory - Attention - Executive function, impulse control, hyperactivity - Affect regulation - Adaptive behaviour, social skills or social communication <p><i>Bower C, Elliott EJ 2016, on behalf of the Steering Group. Report to the Australian Government Department of Health: "Australian Guide to the diagnosis of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD</i></p> <p>https://www.mofas.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/Overlapping-Characteristics-4-29-2016.pdf</p>	<p>The prevalence may be as high as 12% in some high-risk Indigenous communities.</p> <p>https://ama.com.au/position-statement/fetal-alcohol-spectrum-disorder-fasd-2016</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Concrete Terms 2. Consistency 3. Repetition 4. Routine 5. Simplicity 6. Specific Language 7. Structure 8. Supervision <p>Needs a calm environment, may become overwhelmed when there is a lot of noise and activity in class room.</p> <p>Recognising early that student is becoming overwhelmed and responding with a planned break can help. Amount of time and place need to be consistent.</p> <p>More info available:</p> <p>http://www.apsu.org.au/assets/Uploads/20160505-rep-australian-guide-to-diagnosis-of-fasd.pdf</p> <p>http://www.kimberleyfasdresource.com.au/</p> <p>http://www.faslink.org/strategies_not_solutions.pdf</p> <p>http://www.nofasd.org.au/literature_142522/FASD_-_Characteristics_across_the_Lifespan</p> <p>https://alcoholpregnancy.telethonkids.org.au/alcohol-pregnancy-and-breastfeeding/diagnosing-fasd/e-learning-modules/</p>