



## What to Expect at Your FASD Clinic Visit

The FASD Clinic provides diagnostic evaluations to individuals of all ages (infants to adults) who have a confirmed or suspected prenatal alcohol exposure.

The clinical team includes a psychologist, a speech language pathologist, an occupational therapist, a family advocate, and a social worker or mental health professional. The team uses a rigorous, validated diagnostic system called the FASD 4-Digit Code to render a diagnosis. The 4-Digit Code was created by the FAS DPN back in 1997 and is now used worldwide.

Before coming to clinic, caregivers complete a questionnaire (called a New Patient Information Form) that documents the patient's developmental history and the caregivers' concerns.

In preparation for the appointment, the Clinic collects copies of previous school, medical, and psychological evaluations.

On the day of the appointment, the caregivers are interviewed by the clinic team. After the interview, the patient is assessed by a psychologist, speech-language pathologist and occupational therapist.

After the interview and clinical examination, the clinic team meets to derive a diagnosis and establish referrals for treatment and services.

The caregivers then meet with the clinic team to discuss the diagnosis and referrals.

Caregivers participate as an essential member of the team throughout the evaluation process. The clinical evaluation and discussion of the diagnosis and referrals takes approximately four hours.

### **Location**

The FASD Clinic is located at The Florida Center for Early Childhood in Sarasota, Florida. The FASD Clinic is funded in primarily through the Florida Department of Health and Sarasota County Government.

### **Cost**

At this time, fees are not required to cover the cost of the evaluation.

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