



Mercer County Children and Youth Services

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Mercer County Children and Youth Services presents:
NEONATAL ABSTINENCE SYNDROME SYMPOSIUM

Friday, May 19, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

The Tara – A Country Inn

SHILOH ROOM



WELCOME

NAS stands for Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome. This is a condition that occurs when infants are exposed to drugs that cause dependency while in-utero. This condition can cause a range of symptoms beginning at birth. The purpose of the symposium is to educate attendees on the condition and effective interventions and resources for children affected by NAS, their families, and those tasked with supporting them.

Symposium Goal

Together, professionals from various child and family serving agencies and organizations within Mercer County will explore Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome and the available supports and services within the community to better assist children and families affected by NAS.

Symposium Learning Objectives

By participating in the symposium, attendees will be able to:

- Define and understand Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome and who is affected by it
- Identify and be educated on effective and available interventions
- Demonstrate ways they can support children and families affected by NAS



AGENDA

TIME	PRESENTER	TOPIC
9:00-9:15 A.M.	Cassie Douglas, Mercer County CYS	INTRODUCTION
9:15-10:15 A.M.	Mae Reale, PA Coalition Against Domestic Violence	EDUCATION/ INTERVENTION
10:15-11:00 A.M.	Lisa Herrmann Bradley, MS Gaudenzia, Inc.	INTERVENTION/ RESOURCES
11:00-12:00 P.M.	LUNCH	
12:00-1:00 P.M.	Evette Horton, Ph.D., NCC, LPCS, RPT-S UNC Horizons	EDUCATION
1:00-1:45 P.M.	Tracy Auell, M.S. Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission	EDUCATION
1:45-2:00 P.M.	BREAK	
2:00-2:45 P.M.	Amber Rayoni Personal Testimony	EDUCATION
2:45-3:00 P.M.	Cassie Douglas, Mercer County CYS	CONCLUSION Materials disbursement, networking
Speaker Introductions: Jan Anderson, Dept. of Health		