



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  
**SOUTH ARMORY 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.	Brittany Breese, LSW Mercer County CYC	INTRODUCTION
9:15-10:15 A.M.	Evette Horton, Ph.D., NCC, LPCS, RPT-S UNC Horizons	EDUCATION
10:15-11:00 A.M.	Tracy Auell, M.S. Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission	EDUCATION
11:00-12:00 P.M.	LUNCH	
12:00-12:45 P.M.	Amber Rayoni Personal Testimony	EDUCATION
12:45-1:45 P.M.	Mae Reale, PA Coalition Against Domestic Violence	EDUCATION/ INTERVENTION
1:45-2:00 P.M.	BREAK	
2:00-2:45 P.M.	Lisa Herrmann Bradley, MS Gaudenzia, Inc.	INTERVENTION/ RESOURCES
2:45-3:00 P.M.	Brittany Brazel, LSW Mercer County CYC	CONCLUSION Materials disbursement, networking
Speaker Introductions: Lisa Snyder, Dept. of Health		

