This professional series will provide a detailed review of applied research and best practices, and translation of research to practice and policy. Faculty from the University of Minnesota present a special three-part series on the third day of MACMH’s annual conference that will take an in-depth look at how current research is informing and changing the way we diagnose, treat, and educate children with FASD.

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41 U of MN Series — FASD: The Real Deal, Imitators, and What Lies Ahead
Learn about risks and trends in prenatal alcohol use, as well as the latest techniques, tools, and guidelines used to clinically diagnose the various types of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD). Clues to look for that separate these diagnoses from disorders that mimic FASD; an overview of recent research investigating the developmental trajectory of the varying forms of FASD; and thoughts on outcomes for children and families will be discussed. (professional level / intermediate material)

Judith Eckerle Kang, MD, Assistant Professor – U of MN Dept. of Pediatrics

54 U of MN Series — Can We Heal the Brain in Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders?
Get a compelling look at recent brain imaging research at the U of MN that shows brain abnormalities in children exposed to alcohol during pregnancy. What these findings may suggest about the links between brain development and common cognitive and behavioral difficulties in children with FASD will be discussed. Hear about an exciting new study that is the first to investigate a nutrient-based treatment aimed at improving brain development in children with FASD. (professional level / advanced material)

Jeffrey Wozniak, PHD, LP, Assistant Professor – U of MN Dept. of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

67 U of MN Series — Coordinated Interventions with School, Home, and Healthcare for FASD
Hear a detailed description and rationalization of several practical, evidence-based intervention practices aimed at improving the lives of children with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD) in school, home, and healthcare environments. A case will be made that coordinating these efforts can lead to even better outcomes in all settings, and attendees will learn strategies to facilitate a successful coordinated intervention model for FASD. (professional level / advanced material)

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