

## **Domestic Violence**

This site provides an excellent overview of signs of abuse and abusive behaviors. The information is presented in a straightforward manner with very specific questions and answers, tables, listing to assist the reader as she/he identifies potential abuse relationships in her/his life.

[http://www.helpguide.org/mental/domestic\\_violence\\_abuse\\_types\\_signs\\_causes\\_effects.htm](http://www.helpguide.org/mental/domestic_violence_abuse_types_signs_causes_effects.htm)

This link found under the Resources link on the National Network to End Domestic Violence (NNEDV) provides multiple links on domestic violence to such topics as red flags of domestic violence, types of domestic violence and safety tips.

<http://www.nnedv.org/resources/stats.html>

This site is sponsored by the Alabama Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ACADV)

<http://www.acadv.org/>

There are multiple links listed on the home page, which cover such topics as abusers, barriers, and children. The CASA might find the information on the link for Children <http://www.acadv.org/children.html> especially helpful. These topics include age specific indicators, working with children and child's own safety plan.

This site provides various resources on domestic violence. They have fact sheets along with external links and reading lists.

<http://www.ncadv.org/resources/FactSheets.php>

## **Substance Abuse**

This site presents general overview information and additional links to more specific topics including causes and symptoms and signs of substance abuse.

[http://www.emedicinehealth.com/substance\\_abuse/article\\_em.htm](http://www.emedicinehealth.com/substance_abuse/article_em.htm)

This site provides a database specifically geared towards drug and alcohol information. They also have other sub-topics to choose from such as early childhood, articles, teachers, and more.

<http://nacoa.org/newsearch.aspx>

This site provides Resources and topics along with fact sheets and statistics about substance abuse and child welfare.

<http://ncsacw.samhsa.gov/resources/default.aspx>

## **Drug Use and Pregnancy**

This site addresses topics related to drug use (i.e., cocaine, marijuana, methamphetamines, alcohol, cigarettes as well as prescription drugs) and the effect of their consequences for the fetus.

<http://www.webmd.com/baby/drug-use-and-pregnancy>

This site presented by the March of Dimes in a Q&A format, briefly addresses the potential risks and long term outlook for babies whose mothers have used the following drugs during pregnancy; marijuana, amphetamines, heroin, cocaine, opioid painkillers, club drugs, and inhaled glues and solvents

[http://www.marchofdimes.com/pregnancy/alcohol\\_illicitdrug.html](http://www.marchofdimes.com/pregnancy/alcohol_illicitdrug.html)

### **Marijuana**

The following sites include short articles on topics of interest for parents and youths presented by National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

This site which is presented in a question-and-answer format, t provides facts about marijuana for parents and offers tips for talking with their children about the drug and its potential harmful effects <http://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/marijuana-facts-parents-need-to-know>

This site, which is presented in question-and-answer format and targeted to teens, provides facts about marijuana and its potential harmful effects.

<http://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/marijuana-facts-teens>

### **Synthetic Drugs: “Bath Salts and Spice”**

This site presented by the Office of National Drug Control Policy includes a very brief overview and history of synthetic drugs <http://www.whitehouse.gov/ondcp/ondcp-fact-sheets/synthetic-drugs-k2-spice-bath-salts>

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) created the *Just Think Twice* website as a resource for teens that provides accurate information about drugs. The two sites listed below cover basic information on bath salts and spice. Both sites are presented in a Q&A format.

Bath Salts

[http://www.justthinktwice.com/drugs/bath\\_salts\\_or\\_designer\\_cathinones\\_synthetic\\_stimulants.html](http://www.justthinktwice.com/drugs/bath_salts_or_designer_cathinones_synthetic_stimulants.html)

Spice or K2 [http://www.justthinktwice.com/drugs/k2\\_or\\_spice.html](http://www.justthinktwice.com/drugs/k2_or_spice.html)

This site presented by National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) provides information on how spice affects the brain and other health effects from use of spice.

<http://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/drugfacts/spice-synthetic-marijuana>

### **Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD)**

**NIH Medline Plus FASD Fact Sheet** \_\_\_\_\_ This is a three-page fact sheet from the National Institutes of Health covering the basic disorders included in Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders (FASD).

<http://pubs.niaaa.nih.gov/publications/FASDFactsheet/FASD.pdf>

It is also available in Spanish at this link:

<http://pubs.niaaa.nih.gov/publications/spanish.html>

### **CDC's FASD Homepage**

This is a large site with information on FASD from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

It covers many areas including diagnosis and treatment options.

<http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/fasd/index.html>

### **FASD Center at the SAMHSA**

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Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration website for FASD containing educational presentations and a free online course which a CASA could take to educate themselves on Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders. The entire website is available in Spanish

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Child\\_development](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Child_development)

### **Trauma and Victimization**

This site is to help anyone who is dealing with young adults in the delinquent system as well as anyone advocating for people in the delinquent system. It helps one understand the symptoms of trauma and the impact it has on the victim's life.

[http://safestartcenter.org/pdf/issue-brief\\_7\\_courts.pdf](http://safestartcenter.org/pdf/issue-brief_7_courts.pdf)

This site provides articles about various topics from child neglect to trauma to child development.

<http://childtrauma.org/index.php/articles>

This site is primarily focused on information about trauma in the Indian Country (Native Americans, American Indian, Alaska Native, etc.).

<http://icctc.org>

### **Child Abuse**

American Humane Association is an organization working to prevent cruelty, abuse, neglect, and exploitation of children to assure that their interests and well-being are fully, effectively, and humanely guaranteed by an aware and caring society.

<http://www.americanhumane.org/children/>

This site provides resources about different trainings and DVDs about child abuse. It also provides other websites with further information.

<http://www.apsac.org/resources>

This site provides information of how each state defines child abuse along with other statistics, definitions, and more.

<http://www.childwelfare.gov/can/defining/state.cfm>

This site provides various research and data about child welfare along with different advocacy resources as well.

<http://cwla.org/whowhat/default.htm>

This site provides various research topic about child abuse. Some of these topics include healthy families research, child abuse and neglect, current projects, etc.

[http://member.preventchildabuse.org/site/PageServer?pagename=research\\_index](http://member.preventchildabuse.org/site/PageServer?pagename=research_index)