

Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder Awareness Week is Observed Across the State

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Armstrong County Commissioners signed a proclamation supporting September fourth to the 11th, 2011 as Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Week. The goal of the joint efforts by Armstrong – Indiana Mental Health / Mental Retardation and Armstrong – Indiana Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc. is to raise awareness among its residents, especially women of childbearing age, regarding FASD education, prevention and intervention and to improve awareness.

International FASD Day was first observed on September 9, 1999, so that the ninth day of the ninth month would always be a reminder that during the nine months of pregnancy a woman should abstain from alcohol. Local restaurants will be displaying informative table tents and there will be a table staffed by members of ARC Manor at the Armstrong County Memorial Hospital on September 9th from 9am to 2pm.

Commissioner Rich Fink, Commissioner Patty Kirkpatrick, Deputy Director of ARC Manor, Carrie Bence and Commissioner Jim Scahill