Name/Title: **Fetal Alcohol Syndrome**

Purpose of Event: To teach students that pregnant women absolutely should not drink alcohol

Suggested Grade Level: 4-6

Materials Needed: one ziplock bag of clear water, one container of colored water - use food coloring. The container must be large enough to hold the ziplock bag. The container must be clear. One needle or pin.

Description of Idea

Put the ziplock bag of clear water into the container of colored water. Poke tiny holes in the ziplock bag. Notice the clear water turn the color of the water from the container. Explain that the ziplock bag represents a placenta and the colored water represents alcohol. When a woman drinks alcohol, the alcohol penetrates the placenta. This can harm the fetus. This can cause Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS).

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