



To order our videos or booklets or to discuss our trainings, contact us at: fap@sfsu.edu

The Family Acceptance Project is a research, intervention, education and policy project that helps ethnically and religiously diverse families to support their LGBT children – in the context of their family, culture and faith communities. Our research-based family support model, counseling strategies, assessment tools and multicultural family education materials help parents, foster parents and caregivers to prevent health risks like suicide, homelessness and HIV, to promote their LGBT children's well-being and to strengthen their families.

TRAINING, CONSULTATION & PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT



We provide training and consultation to enable families, providers, clergy, agencies and systems of care to use the Family Acceptance Project's (FAP) family support strategies, resources and intervention model – which are based on our extensive research and intervention work – with diverse families, foster families and caregivers to decrease their LGBT children's risk and to promote their well-being. Our trainings are tailored to meet provider and institutional needs, and may include such topics as:

- Engaging Families to Prevent Suicide & Homelessness for LGBT Youth
- Helping Families, Foster Families & Caregivers to Support LGBT Children & Youth
- Developing & Implementing Family-Based Services for LGBT Children & Youth
- Engaging Families as Allies to Promote School Safety, Support & Wellness for LGBT Students
- Helping Clergy & Congregations to Provide Support for LGBT Youth & Families
- Using the *FAPrisk Screener* in Prevention and Care

EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS

Family Education Video Series



Short award-winning family education and intervention videos that educate diverse parents, foster parents and caregivers on how to support LGBT young people to decrease isolation, give youth & families hope and show the process that helps families learn to support their LGBT children. These videos address deeply held beliefs, faith and school experiences in the context of family, culture and values and are grounded in FAP's research and family support work. For use with youth and families, providers, educators, clergy and the general public.

Family Education Booklets – English, Spanish, Chinese



Supportive Families, Healthy Children: Helping Families with Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Children

“Best Practice” resource for suicide prevention for LGBT youth and young adults –
SPRC / AFSP Best Practices Registry for Suicide Prevention

Research-based guidance that educates diverse families and foster families on how to support LGBT children and youth, and teaches providers and clergy how to talk with families about decreasing risk and promoting well-being for LGBT young people. Developed with extensive feedback from ethnically and religiously diverse families, LGBT youth, young adults and providers, and used by thousands of families, providers, religious leaders and agencies across the U.S. and other countries.

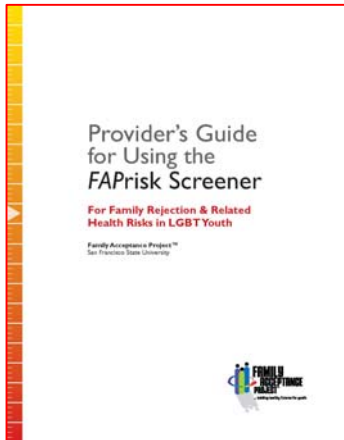
In English, Spanish & Chinese

Available in print copies

In development: Lower literacy versions & versions for families from a range of religious backgrounds.

ASSESSMENT MATERIALS

FAPrisk Screener



The **FAPrisk Screener** is a screening instrument based on our research that assesses the presence of family and caregiver behaviors that are highly predictive of negative health problems for LGBT young people.

Based on the pattern and severity of family rejection, the screener enables health and mental health providers to quickly identify LGBT youth who are at risk for negative health outcomes, including depression, suicidal behavior, substance use problems and sexually transmitted diseases. Early identification of family rejection is essential to prevent major health problems – including ejection and removal from the home – and to guide clinical practice and follow up care for LGBT youth.

We provide training and guidance for health and mental health providers on using the screener and engaging in appropriate follow up with LGBT youth and families.

EDUCATION & CLINICAL INTERVENTION RESOURCES

Family Education Videos

These award-winning videos are part of a planned series of short documentaries that show how ethnically and religiously diverse families learn to support their LGBT children. Reflected in each family's stories are accepting and rejecting behaviors that our research has identified and linked with serious health problems and with well-being, as well as compelling family experiences that help other families move from struggle to support of their LGBT children. We are planning to produce a series of films with families from diverse backgrounds and experiences to share these powerful stories of transformation and hope.

Tell us about families in your community who should be part of our series!



“Always My Son”

Ed was a Marine. His father and uncles were Marines. When his 14-year-old son came out to his Mexican-American family, Ed and his wife Elizabeth didn't talk about it until their son's life was at risk. They went to 15 churches until they found one that would support their gay son and together with the youth minister, they started the first LGBT group in their conservative town. *Always My Son* is a moving story of transformation, love and how one family changed their lives and their community.



“Families Are Forever”

Tom and Wendy were devout Mormon parents living in a conservative community: Attending church every Sunday, raising 5 children, and knocking on doors to support California's Proposition 8. Then one day, Wendy read 13-year-old Jordon's diary and discovered he was gay. What happened next changed their lives forever.

Families Are Forever chronicles their journey from struggle to support of their young gay son, from steering Jordan past risk for suicide to openly accepting him in the context of their culture and faith. Their story will surprise you, give you hope and move you with the power of family.