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Chosen Family



Unique Familial Dynamics

The term "chosen family" holds significant meaning for many LGBTQ+ individuals; especially LGBTQ+ elders. It refers to a support system made up of close friends, partners, or other individuals who may not be biologically related but who provide essential emotional, social, and sometimes even financial support. For many LGBTQ+ individuals, chosen families are a vital source of support, especially in situations where they may face rejection or discrimination from their biological families due to their sexual orientation or gender identity. They are more than just "friends" or "other"; they are the equivalent of our brother, sister, or parent. Make sure healthcare providers are educated in the significance of chosen family and update your materials to reflect this easy, yet impactful, term.

Change is needed

-  Teach About the Significance of Chosen Family
-  Update Your Materials
-  Update Your Forms