

Beyond Tolerance: Promoting Family Support for LGBT Youth

Thursday, November 5, 2009

5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Reception

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Presentation

Fetzer Center, WMU, 2350 Business Court, Kalamazoo

Gay and transgender teens who are rejected by their families are:

- More than 8 times as likely to have attempted suicide
- Nearly 6 times as likely to report high levels of depression
- More than 3 times as likely to use illegal drugs, and
- More than 3 times as likely to be at high risk for HIV and sexually transmitted diseases compared with gay and transgender youth who are not rejected.



Dr. Ryan will share the results of her ground-breaking research to strengthen families and promote healthy youth.

Dr. Caitlin Ryan, a highly regarded expert on gay and transgender youth and family issues and director of the Family Acceptance Project (FAP), will share exciting research and a new family-based approach to help increase support for gay and transgender youth.

Learn how families can help reduce their children's risk for HIV, substance abuse, suicide, and depression.

Reception and Presentation are FREE to attend and open to the public. Please RSVP.

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