# FEAR-LESS TRIPLE P

### WHAT IS FEAR-LESS TRIPLE P?

Fear-Less Triple P supports parents and helps them to learn new cognitive behavioural strategies for anxiety management, encouraging them to apply these themselves for all their children. The Fear-Less Triple P program can either be completed in six weekly group or individual sessions, or as a 1-day intensive group workshop. There is also a 2-hour seminar option, which can be used to engage parents in the program or as an introduction to the topic.



#### WHO IS IT FOR?

The group and individual variants are intensive interventions suited to parents or caregivers of children aged from 6 to 14 years who have moderate to high levels of anxiety that negatively impact on everyday functioning.

The Fear-Less Triple P Seminar introduces parents to a wide range of strategies for managing children's anxiety in a single session seminar program. The seminar is for parents who would like some tips on anxiety management for their family. The seminar is a useful introductory tool for engaging parents or caregivers of children with anxiety aged from 6 to 14 years in the more intensive variants of the program.

### WHAT IS COVERED IN THE SEMINAR WITH PARENTS?

### Seminar: Helping your children learn to manage anxiety

Practitioners introduce parents to some information about anxiety and provide positive parenting strategies that support the development and behavior of children with anxiety. The topics covered include:

- Understanding how anxiety works.
- Becoming the best possible model of anxiety management for all their children.
- Becoming effective emotion coaches.
- Understanding and teaching the value of flexible thinking.
- Managing their children's anxiety effectively.
- Using constructive coping.

### WHAT IS COVERED IN THE GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS WITH PARENTS?

### Session 1: Anxiety – what is it and how does it develop?

This session provides parents with psychoeducation about anxiety and how it works. Parents are encouraged to reflect on how anxiety impacts their family and how their family reacts to anxiety. The session aims to give parents a better understanding of the development of their child's anxiety and why it continues. At the end of the session, parents establish some goals for change to focus on through the program.

### Session 2: Promoting emotional resilience in children

Parents are introduced to parenting strategies that promote emotional resilience in children. These strategies help parents encourage their children to express, tolerate and manage their upsetting emotions more effectively. Parents are also introduced to a tool that helps to track how anxious their child is feeling.

#### Session 3: Modeling and the way children think

This session introduces the importance of parental modelling in understanding children's emotional reactions. The session also covers how thoughts can affect the development and maintenance of anxiety, highlighting the importance of flexible thinking and teaching parents to encourage this skill in children

### Session 4: The way you behave - avoidance and exposure

Practitioners teach parents about avoidance, the most common response to anxiety. Practitioners introduce the value of exposure and the use of the Fear Ladder as an approach to gradually confronting anxiety.

# Session 5: Parental strategies for responding to children's anxiety

Practitioners discuss common ways that parents respond to children's anxiety, as well as the advantages and disadvantages of each. Parents are encouraged to reflect on which responses are relevant to them and what they might want to think about changing. Practitioners work with parents to develop a parenting plan to encourage children to confront and overcome their fears using a Fear Ladder and to start using it with their child at home.

### Session 6: Constructive problem solving – how to promote it and maintain gains

Practitioners help parents develop a constructive step-by-step coping plan and offer some guidelines on maintaining changes over time.

### HOW MUCH TIME IS NEEDED TO DELIVER THE INTERVENTION?

In addition to consultations, the practitioner should allow time for preparing for the sessions and supervision. Please see the table below for an approximate delivery guideline time for each program.

SEMINAR PROGRAM		
CONSULTATION TIME	2 hours	
PRE AND POST ASSESSMENTS — QUESTIONNAIRE SCORING AND FEEDBACK	n/a	
TELEPHONE SUPPORT OR HOME VISIT	n/a	
SESSION PREPARATION AND POST- SESSION DEBRIEF/SUPERVISION	1½ hours	
CASE NOTES AND REPORT WRITING	n/a	
TOTAL TIME	3 ½ hours per seminar	
INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP PROGRAM		
CONSULTATION TIME	12 hours (2 hours per session for 6 sessions)	
PRE AND POST ASSESSMENTS — QUESTIONNAIRE SCORING AND FEEDBACK*	2 hours	
TELEPHONE SUPPORT OR HOME VISIT**	n/a	
SESSION PREPARATION AND POST- SESSION DEBRIEF/SUPERVISION	1 ½ hours	
CASE NOTES AND REPORT WRITING**	1 hour	
TOTAL TIME	16 ½ hours per family	
WORKSHOP PROGRAM		
CONSULTATION TIME	8 hours (Workshop)	
PRE AND POST ASSESSMENTS — QUESTIONNAIRE SCORING AND FEEDBACK*  20 minutes		
TELEPHONE SUPPORT OR HOME VISIT**	n/a	
SESSION PREPARATION AND POST- SESSION DEBRIEF/SUPERVISION	15 minutes	
CASE NOTES AND REPORT WRITING**	10 minutes	
TOTAL TIME	8 ¾ hours per workshop	
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<sup>\*</sup>An additional 2-3 minutes per family should be allowed for reviewing the Client Satisfaction Questionnaire (CSQ) at the end of the intervention.

### WHAT RESOURCES DO PARENTS RECEIVE FOR THE SEMINAR?

Each family attending the Fear-Less Triple P seminar receives a Fear-Less Triple P Tip Sheet.

Please see the table below for the expected program resources required when Triple P is adopted as part of core business.

NUMBER OF INTERVENTIONS PER YEAR	3-4 interventions
NUMBER OF FAMILIES PER INTERVENTION	25 families per seminar
RESOURCES PER FAMILY	1 x Fear-Less Tip Sheet per seminar place
TOTAL NUMBER OF FAMILIES	75-100 seminar places
TOTAL RESOURCES PER YEAR	75-100 Tip Sheets

# WHAT RESOURCES DO PARENTS RECEIVE FOR THE INDIVIDUAL, GROUP OR WORKSHOP PROGRAM?

Families that attend the group or individual variants of the program receive a copy of the Fear-Less Triple P Workbook.

Please see the table below for the expected program resources required when Triple P is adopted as part of core business.

NUMBER OF INTERVENTIONS PER YEAR	25 families
NUMBER OF FAMILIES PER INTERVENTION	1-12 families
RESOURCES PER FAMILY	1 x Fear-Less Triple P Workbook
TOTAL NUMBER OF FAMILIES	25 families
TOTAL RESOURCES PER YEAR	25 x Fear-Less Triple P Workbooks

### WHAT IS INVOLVED IN PROVIDER TRAINING?

To provide any of the Fear-Less Triple P variants to families, practitioners must have completed an approved active skills training program and demonstrated their knowledge and competence in program delivery through a skills-based accreditation process. The table below provides an estimate of the time commitment for practitioners to attend training and support days, as well as time needed for preparation and peer support.

NUMBER OF TRAINING DAYS (9.00AM-4.30PM)	4 days
PRE-ACCREDITATION DAY (9.00AM-4.30PM)	1 day
PREPARATION TIME FOR ACCREDITATION DAY	4–6 hours (quiz and competency preparation)
ACCREDITATION DAY	1 day
PEER SUPPORT	n/a
TOTAL TIME	6 days

### DO PRE-REQUISITES APPLY?

No Triple P pre-requisites apply. Assumes the professional will have basic professional training in psychology, psychiatry, paediatrics, medicine, nursing, education, social work or counseling.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Not including comprehensive reports for government agencies.

### WHAT ARE THE PROVIDER LEARNING OUTCOMES?

- Awareness of the significance of child anxiety and its causal and maintaining factors, as well as proficiency in assessing child anxiety and family functioning.
- Familiarisation with the Fear-Less Triple P program content, structure, delivery variants and rationale.
- Use of behavioral rehearsal to help parents coach their children in effective anxiety management strategies.
- Ability to help parents transfer Triple P strategies to different situations and behaviors.
- Use of the self-regulatory approach when responding to parent questions and giving parents constructive feedback regarding implementations strategies.
- Able to address parent resistance and other common process issues.

### WHAT RESOURCES DO PRACTITIONERS RECEIVE?

Each practitioner will receive a copy of the following Triple P practitioner resources at training:

- Practitioner's Kit for Fear-Less Triple P, which contains all materials needed to conduct all variants of Fear-Less Triple P and includes:
  - Practitioner's Manual.
  - Fear-Less PowerPoint Presentations.
  - Fear-Less Triple P Parent Workbook (used for the individual or group program and the workshop).
  - Fear-Less Seminar PowerPoint Presentation.
  - Fear-Less Triple P Tip Sheet (used for the seminar format).