Family Connection SC is a statewide nonprofit organization that links families of children with special health care needs and disabilities with resources, support and education. We provide support to parents with a child or family member with any special health care need, such as an upcoming surgery, developmental delays, premature birth, physical limitations and all diagnoses including autism, asthma, ADHD and cerebral palsy. Our support for families includes a family-to-family network, statewide offices and a host of programs to educate, inspire and empower families and their children to live rich, fulfilling lives in spite of many challenges.

2016 IMPACT on FAMILY
Family Impact Family Connection SC Project Breathe Easy for families with a child with asthma serves over 900 families a year, the majority of whom are at-risk and/or minorities. Project Breathe Easy has demonstrated a clear correlation between home visits and education provided and a reduction in ER use, an increase in medical home use, a decrease in missed school days and a decrease in missed parent workdays.

2016 HIGHLIGHTS
Autism Impact As part of a system of care that serves to increase capacity for children with behavioral health difficulties, the F2F is conducting an IRB approved, randomized controlled study on an evidence based prevention model called Family Foundations Project: Autism Family Navigators. We are working with Dr. Mark Feinberg of Penn State and Dr. Robert Hock of the University of SC College of Social Work. The program is a brief in home model focusing on the co-parenting relationship of two caring adults (not necessarily mom and dad) who have a child with new diagnosis of Autism, ages 0-6 years of age. Family Connection leads them through a six-week program, in their home to increase and to improve their co-parenting and quality of life.

Parenting Impact The SC F2F has received training and accreditation in Triple P Stepping Stones Primary Care. This is to begin to help the community with a simple, evidenced based parenting program for families with a child that has a special healthcare need.