

## Rainbow Pride Project

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Since beginning my work with Satellite in 2002, we have worked with the Rainbow Pride Project twice:

- In February, 2007 Jennifer Conti provided a program on “Behavior Problems: What Do You Do?” for Satellite and Eagles Wing. What I remember most about this night was how wonderful it felt to have a training venue that brought two distinct programs together because of their similar request for training.
- In the fall of 2008, through funding from the Rainbow Pride Project, Satellite Latina Providers were offered an evening of grief counseling after the violent death of the Satellite Bilingual Consultant. That was less than a year ago, and I will tell you personally that I was in uncharted water...how do you administer to the needs of a staff and the needs of a group of clients that had a professional and personal connection to the loss. How do you weather a storm that knocked your very own feet out from under you, and that also had the challenge of dual language needs? The Rainbow Pride Project and other professionals & colleagues stepped up and reached out to Satellite and our Spanish speaking providers. I will be forever thankful.

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