Bridge the Gap – SYNGAP Education and Research Foundation (501(c) 3) is a non-profit organization whose mission is to serve, educate and fund research for families coping with the effects of SYNGAP1 mutations. SYNGAP1 is a rare genetic disorder and can cause intellectual disability, epilepsy, autism, behavior, mood and sensory processing disorders.

Established in 2014, Bridge the Gap is the leading SYNGAP1 Advocacy Organization raising awareness, advocating, providing educational opportunities through Patient/Family/Caregiver Programs, providing opportunities through International SYNGAP1 Scientific Conferences that encourage collaboration amongst clinical providers, researchers and the SYNGAP1 Community and raising funds for research that will lead to better treatments for SYNGAP1.

VISION

From the start, we envisioned a comprehensive mission and business strategy that encompassed multiple program goals. This included a plan to raise public awareness and provide resource information about the disorder to SYNGAP1 families, physicians, researchers, academic institutions, the rare disease community, industry, local and federal government/agency officials.

MISSION

Our mission is to improve the quality of life for people affected by SYNGAP1, provide family support, accelerating research and raising awareness so that every family and every child with SYNGAP1 can provide information that can guide us to a cure.

PRIORITIES

**AWARENESS:** Raising Global SYNGAP1 Awareness and Education  
**ADVOCACY:** Supporting and Facilitating SYNGAP1 Patient/Family Advocacy  
**ACCELERATE:** SYNGAP1 Research for New Treatments and a Cure
Our priorities include raising public awareness, patient and family advocacy initiatives, educational programs, scientific research conferences and financial support for research.

Our organization's commitment to those affected by SYNGAP1, their families and caregivers, remains at the forefront of all we do. Our mission wholeheartedly embraces a collaborative approach to help accelerate research and improved outcomes.

PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES

Our programs and initiatives have expanded globally since 2014, while our mission to provide SYNGAP1 awareness, advocacy, education, and research support, has remained focused and consistent. Below is a list of our core programs and initiatives that we support:

- SYNGAP1 Awareness & Advocacy
- SYNGAP1 Education – Patients, Families, Caregivers, Clinicians, Researchers
- SYNGAP1 (MRDS) Online Natural History Data Registry
- SYNGAP1 Family Meet Ups
- SYNGAP1 Family Support Group (*private) on Facebook
- SYNGAP1 Centers of Excellence
- SYNGAP1 International Scientific Conferences
- SYNGAP1 Educational Materials
- SYNGAP1 Newsletter
- SYNGAP1 Fundraisers

We are taking Action to Bridge the Gap to a Cure for SYNGAP1 Patients and Families!

Please contact us if you have any questions or would like further information

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