

## Tips to Make Asking Easier

- Know the facts about guns.
- Present your concerns in a respectful way.
- Do not argue about the right to own a gun.
- Include questions about guns with other questions.
- Explain that all children are naturally curious, so you can't trust your *own* child around guns.
- If there is a gun in the home, ask:
  - Is it locked?*
  - Is it unloaded?*
  - Is the ammunition locked separately?*
- If you have doubts, invite the children to play at your house.

