

Lesbian Gay and Bisexual Health Awareness Training

Date: Wednesday 12th of September- 9am – 1pm

Venue: Ossory Youth Centre, Dessart Hall, Lower New Street, Co Kilkenny.

Rationale / Context:

The Rainbow Report in the South East in 2015 and the LGBTI Ireland report 2016 both identified the lack of awareness and understanding of health professionals and health service providers in the health care needs of LGBTI people. In both reports the LGBTI communities describing negative experiences of healthcare.

This includes the misunderstanding of identities and appropriate language to use, and some peoples experiencing their sexual identities as seen as a problem. Also a poor understanding of the specific health issues of this community was also identified.

Both reports recommend the building of knowledge and skills of professionals and service providers.

The LGBTI Steering group in the CHO5 led by HSE's Social Inclusion Department has developed a Lesbian Gay & Bisexual Awareness Training in partnership with Health Promotion & Improvement. HSE Social Inclusion aims to provide opportunities for equal health outcomes for service users who are members of the LGBTI Community in CHO 5 and to support healthcare staff in their service delivery to this client group.

The aim of this half day workshop is to raise awareness around sexual diversity and explore some societal and individual attitudes and to consider some of the health issues for this community.

The training includes: -

Exploring gender identity and sexual orientation.

- *History of LGB in Ireland*
- *Health needs of the LGB community*
- *My role in LGB Healthcare*

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Job Title _____

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How do you think this training will be of benefit to you and your area of work?

Please return to Gerard Sweetman LGBTI Health Support Worker, Clonmel Community Resource Centre, Kickham Lodge, Kickham Street, Clonmel Co Tipperary. Or by email to Gerard@clonmelcrc.ie by Friday 7th of September 2018