

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans+ (LGBT+) Network

Tuesday 25 April 2017 (am)

Cost - £55.00 flat rate



NB: If delegates also wish to stay for the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Network on the afternoon of 25 April 2017, the charge for attendance for the whole day is £99.00.

Topics: Building a Sustainable LGBT+ Network in your Organisation

How can we help students to be involved in LGBT+ networks that are safe, accessible, inclusive and sustainable? How do we involve allies (and become involved as allies) whilst centring the voices of LGBT+ people? Do the children and siblings of LGBT+ people also have a place and a role within these networks?

We know that peer support can make an enormous difference to the wellbeing of LGBT+ people, and that a visible, supported LGBT+ Network within an institution makes positive signals about safety and equality that sets a supportive tone. Yet LGBT+ Networks have a habit of forming and dissipating from year to year, and they face other issues such as 'cliqueyness' or inaccessibility.

This collaborative session will explore the issues and experiences of participants, sharing our 'do's and don'ts'. Collectively, best practice tips will be created for building more solid, sustainable networks in the future. Facilitated by **Sam Hope**, a member of the LGBT community, Sam is also an accredited therapist. An experienced trainer and group facilitator, Sam will ensure the session is exploratory and interactive in style. A regular facilitator of emfec's LGBT+ Network, Sam receives excellent evaluations:

'LOVED the open style – really felt open and supported to ask and to discuss.' (Ellis Lane, Student Union Co-ordinator, ncn College)

'Lots of great ideas to take back to work.' (Daniel Khan, Student Support Team Leader, Kirklees College)

Networking

The concept of the networked professional is increasingly important as workloads increase. Are you busy re-inventing the wheel? Perhaps your colleagues have already developed the solutions you seek. Networks enable collaborative working, an efficient use of your time, providing space and opportunity for you to think more creatively.

If you have an aspect of good practice that works well for you then do consider presenting this to your colleagues at a meeting. Contact Michelle Chesterfield, Tel: 0115 8541 626, Email: michellec@emfec.co.uk, with your agenda item. This network will start at 9.30 am with arrival and refreshments, for a prompt start to the meeting at 9.45 am, finishing at 12.15 pm with lunch. We look forward to welcoming you to emfec!

BOOKING IS EASY - just [click here](http://www.emfec.co.uk/event/lesbian-gay-bisexual-trans-lgbt-network/) to book a place or type this link into your browser:

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