October Network Call Cancelled

Our October Network Call is cancelled. Please join us for our next call on Thursday, November 1.

Yesterday was the last day for the Governor to sign or veto bills from the previous legislative session. Many of the bills that we have been supporting were signed, including items from the #Care4AllCA campaign, and restrictions on patient dumping. We also join our partners in expressing our disappointment in the veto of AB 186 and AB 2153 and will continue to support efforts to improve the health and safety of LGBTQ Californians.

Meanwhile, we submitted our final written comments on Dignity-CHI merger, which can be found here, and will be closely monitoring how activities at the federal level will impact the health of LGBTQ Californians - including Public Charge, and Judge Kavanaugh's ongoing confirmation process.

Thanks to you all for your continued support, Happy LGBTQ History Month, and we hope to see many of you at Models of Pride on October 20!

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Thursday, November 1, 2018
10:00 am - 11:00 am

Call in Number: 866-906-7447
Conference Code: 4914724#
Web Conference: Link

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The Network Listserv is available for member use to share information about upcoming LGBTQ events, campaigns, sign-on letters, share resources, and find partners for collaboration. You can post directly by emailing the listserv.

Task Force Spotlight

The #Out4MentalHealth Task Forces have really taken off! We would like to spotlight the wonderful work being done in the Bay Area Region. Local community leaders Jessica Carroll from Positive Images and Jessie Hankins from LGBTQ Connection lead the Sonoma County
#Out4MentalHealth Task Force. They welcome folks to meet with them at **3:00 pm every second Friday** both in person and via phone to discuss and strategize about how to improve mental well-being for the queer and trans communities in their area.

The physical address is 200 Montgomery Drive, Suite C, Santa Rosa and the call in number is 1-866-906-9330 (pin 1460979#). Anyone who would like to advocate for LGBTQ mental health equity in the Sonoma County area is welcome to join the task force!

As a part of the #Out4MentalHealth project, we have five #Out4Mentalhealth Task Forces throughout California. Each mental health region has a task force based in a specific county but open to everyone interested in advocating for LGBTQ mental health equity.

#Out4MentalHealth Task Forces support local community members and organizations with engaging in LGBTQ Mental Health advocacy at the county, state, and federal level. Each Task Force is being led by local lead organizations. If you are interested in joining a task force, please email mtaylor@health.org.

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**Reducing LGBTQ Tobacco-Related Disparities**

The LGBTQ Statewide Coordinating Center (SCC) is excited to announce that the Advisory Committee has recruited 15 members. The Advisory Committee will conduct its first meeting via video conference the first week of October. We would like to welcome all new members from throughout the state in joining us in Reducing LGBTQ Tobacco-Related Disparities.

The LGBTQ SCC is conducting site visits with our regional partners the last week of September/first week of October. We are looking forward to visiting each region and providing in person assistance. While visiting each region, we will assist with the scope of work, provide technical assistance and training on how to properly engage the LGBTQ community. The LGBTQ SCC will also host a year end convening in Orange County where all regional partners may officially meet, discuss ways to collaborate and gain knowledge on how to complete the progress report for the May 2018 - December 2018 reporting period.
Upcoming LGBTQ Events

October 4 - Northern California Regional Multicultural Symposium - Redwood City, CA
October 4 - 5 - LGBTQ People of Color Mental Health Conference - New York, NY
October 10 - 13 - GLMA Annual Conference on LGBT Health - Las Vegas, NV
October 13 - IV Imperial Valley Pride - El Centro, CA
October 19 - 20 - Improving OUTcomes Conference - Sacramento, CA
**October 20** - Models of Pride Conference - Los Angeles, CA
October 23 - 24 - Cultural Competence Summit - Riverside, CA
November 9 - EDGY Conference - Los Angeles, CA

News and Resources

- Why Blocking Poor Immigrants Could Be Very Costly
- With More Than 200 L.G.B.T. Candidates, Advocates Hope for a "Rainbow Wave" in the Midterms
- Proudly running for the LGBT community
- Victory Fund Shatters Previous Endorsement Record, Endorses 55 More LGBTQ Candidates and 272 Overall in 2018
- New textbooks and guidance help California K-12 teachers cover LGBT issues and historical figures in the classroom
- Los Angeles schools accelerate support for LGBTQ students as data show more than half have been bullied in high school
- Your Guide To Finding An LGBTQ-Friendly Doctor In LA

http://www.californialgbthealth.org/