LGBTIQA+ SERVICES FOR YOUTH

(Bayside, Georges River, Sutherland)



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LGBTIQA+ Youth Support Services

2Connect Youth & Community

www.2connect.org.au

Ph. 9556 1769

Provides youth and family support (counselling and case management) for young people aged 12-18 who identify as LGBTIQA+ or who are questioning their sexuality/sex/gender, and their parents/families. The website has online resources to support schools and services including visibility posters, directories and information. 2Connect also coordinates GLISTEN Youth Social groups for LGBTIQA+ young people (partnership with Kogarah Community Services).

Twenty 10

Ph: 8594 9555

www.twenty10.org.au

Provides a diverse range of services for LGBTIQA+ young people 12 to 25, including housing, social groups, and counselling. Based in the City, but also has phone and online support. Available online is an extensive resource directory, including links to articles, toolkits, fact sheets, and best practice guidelines for making services / schools LGBTIQA+ accessible, affirming & safe.

Qlife (Counselling service)

Ph: 1800 184 527

www.qlife.org.au (online chat available)

3pm-Midnight, every day

Available online are Q Guides that can be downloaded, covering a diverse range of topics including Coming Out, Gender Diversity, Suicide Prevention, Intersex, Resilience and Relationships.

headspace - Miranda

www.headspace.org.au

Support and counselling for 12-25year olds - early intervention mental health services to support a range of concerns.

Ph: 9575 1500

headspace – Hurstville

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Ph: 8048 3350

ACON

Ph: 9206 2000 www.acon.org.au

ACON is a health organisation based in NSW, specialising in HIV prevention, HIV support, and LGBTIQA+ wellbeing for all ages. Services include counselling, drug & alcohol support, free workshops for young gay men 18 to 26 years, and domestic violence support.

The Gender Centre

Ph: 9519 7599

www.gendercentre.org.au

Provide support for trans and gender expressive people at every stage of their journey as they explore their authentic sense of self. This includes a group for parents of trans & gender diverse youth. Available online is a trans specific service directory, resource guides & fact sheets including for families, and legal information.

TransHub

www.transhub.org.au

A digital information and resource platform for all trans and gender diverse (TGD) people in NSW, their loved ones, allies and health providers. It includes a list of gender affirming doctors, some of whom don't require a Medicare card. TransHub is an initiative by ACON.

Trans Pride Australia

www.transprideaustralia.org.au

Online forums for trans and gender diverse people; parents and carers; allies; and partners.

PFLAG

https://pflagaustralia.org.au/about

Support for parents, caregivers and families.

Intersex Human Rights Australia (IHRA)

www.ihra.org.au

IHRA focuses on human rights, bodily autonomy and self-determination, and on evidence-based, patient-directed healthcare.

LGBTIQA+ Youth Support & Social Groups

Glisten

A free monthly social group for LGBTIQA+ young people and their friends. Established for more than 18 years and based in Hurstville (close to public transport); a group for young people to connect with others in a welcoming space, with the freedom to be oneself. Chill out, art activities, games, giveaways and food.

For more information contact 0451 826 885 or email: reconnectyouth@2connect.org.au Coordinated by 2 Connect Youth & Community and Kogarah Community Services; Supported by 3Bridges Community.

Twenty10

Run a number of social support groups for young people under 25, including 'Hang Out' online group and drop-in face to face services at Chippendale (including Saturday Drop-in). www.twenty10.org.au

Ph: 8594 9555

Minus 18

www.minus18.org.au

Melbourne-based LGBTIQA+ youth service, it organises the Queer Formal in Sydney and online groups, and has useful videos for parents, caregivers and services.

Camp Out

Ph: 0467 697 325

www.campout.org.au

Organise an annual camp based in NSW for LGBTIQA+ and questioning young people aged 13 – 17 years. It includes lots of fun activities like art, sports, games, movie nights, workshops and of course, bonfires!

Transtopia Youth - The Gender Centre

Transtopia is a group for transgender and gender questioning young people who are aged between 12 and 17. The purpose of this group is to offer a safe space for young people to express themselves and to meet likeminded young people. The group meets monthly on Mondays from 5pm to 6:30pm at Annandale

Ph: 9519 7599 www.gendercentre.org.au

Cultural Specific Services

Black Rainbow, Deadly Proud

www.blackrainbow.org.au

Black Rainbow is a national Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander LGBTIQ, Sistergirl and Brotherboy health and wellbeing organization. Based in NT.

Multicultural LGBTIQA+ Services & Groups

www.rainbowcultures.org.au

LGBTIQA+ Days and Events

ACON Diversity Days

www.welcomehere.org.au/diversitydays

Wear It Purple Day

www.wearitpurple.org

Youth-led, school-based event on the last Friday in August to show support for rainbow young people.

IDAHOBIT

www.idahobit.org.au

May 17th is the International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Intersexism and Transphobia.

Pride Month

June

www.sydneypride.com

Sydney Pride Festival

Mardi Gras Festival

www.mardigras.org.au

February - March