

PRIDE SAVES LIVES: ADVOCATING FOR AND CREATING SAFER SPACES FOR LGBTQ+ YOUTH



Join us for an essential, in-depth training designed for educators, youth workers, clinicians, and community members dedicated to supporting the well-being of LGBTQ+ youth, providing participants with the foundational knowledge and practical tools needed to move beyond mere tolerance to active advocacy and allyship. This session will cover an overview of the current mental health and social challenges facing LGBTQ+ youth, emphasizing the life-saving impact of affirming environments, alongside concrete strategies for respectful communication, addressing microaggressions, navigating family dynamics, and promoting identity exploration.

Participants will receive a curated list of national and local resources for mental health support, crisis intervention, and family education, and the session will conclude with a guided tour of the Rainbow Room, Bucks County's only center exclusively dedicated to creating a brave, affirming community for LGBTQ+ youth, ensuring attendees leave with the confidence and resources to immediately implement change in their organizations.



Tuesday, January 20



10:00am-12:00pm



**The Rainbow Room
186 E Court St., Doylestown**

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