Conference Programme

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An equal future? Scotland's next steps for including LGBT children and young people
Thursday 1 February 2018
Edinburgh

09:00 **Registration and Refreshments**

09:30 **Welcome from Chair**
Fergus McMillan, Chief Executive, LGBT Youth Scotland

09:40 **Welcome from Minister**
Angela Constance, Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities

09:55 **Life in Scotland for LGBT Young People – 2018 Research Launch**
Brandi Lee Lough Dennell, Policy & Research Manager, LGBT Youth Scotland

10:10 **Experiences of LGBT Young People**
Facilitated by Megan McIntyre, Year of Young People 2018 Representative

10:40 **Refreshment Break**

11:00 **Morning Workshops**

1A **Gender identity in early and primary years**
Graeme Ross, Education Capacity Building Officer, LGBT Youth Scotland with Mermaids

1B **Supporting LGBT children, young people and their families in the 'coming out' process**
John Nichols, Youth Work Director, LGBT Youth Scotland

1C **LGBT young people and mental health**
Deva MacGinty and the Youth Commission on LGBT Mental Health

1D **Empowering young people to fight prejudice and discrimination**
Linda Young, Anne Frank Trust

12:00 **Lunch**

13:00 **Afternoon workshops**

2A **Guidance on supporting transgender young people**
Graeme Ross, Education Capacity Building Officer, LGBT Youth Scotland

2B **Addressing and dealing with homophobic, biphobic and transphobic bullying**
RespectMe

2C **LGBT intersectionality (disability, ethnicity and faith)**
Sam Rankin, Equality Network

2D **Inclusive play, activity and sport for LGBT children and young people**
Hugh Torrance, LEAP Sports Scotland

14:00 **An equal future? Panel discussion**
Led by Cara Spence, Senior Programmes & Influencing Manager, LGBT Youth Scotland

14:45 **LGBT inclusion in Action**
Highlights from practitioners showcasing LGBT inclusion in action

15:15 **Planning for change**
Facilitated by young people

15:35 **Questions and discussions**
Led by Chair

15:45 **Conference Close**

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