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Dear colleague,

I hope that you, your colleagues, and your loved ones are staying safe during this difficult period. Today, in place of our usual newsletter, I'm getting in touch to share Stonewall's response to the impacts of Covid-19 on all of us, our workplaces and our communities.

We're all facing some very difficult changes in our lives, and a lot of uncertainty. Many workplaces are having to quickly adapt to these changes, and we know that marginalised people and communities are always the hardest hit in times like these.

For the time being, we are postponing or suspending our in-person programmes and events, and our staff in all offices are working from home. The health of our colleagues, supporters and friends must take priority, and we're closely monitoring government guidance to make the right decisions.

But our work isn't stopping – far from it. We continue to offer support to your organisation and its LGBT network through your account manager, our bank of resources and guidance, policy reviews, and more. We're also working on new guidance and support for LGBT-inclusive organisations like yours to continue to uphold values of equality and inclusion in a time of crisis. We count on you to continue to work with us to support your LGBT employees, and LGBT communities that are at risk losing spaces, funding employment, and other essential resources.

We've created a <u>list of useful links and services</u> available for support that you can share with your LGBT employee network group. Our <u>Information Service</u> is here to help, too.

Read and share how these LGBT-inclusive organisations can help

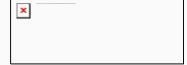
This is a time of crisis for our country, and we'll be here to ensure that LGBT people are not excluded from the support they need, and that as we emerge from this, our rights and protections are safeguarded as we rebuild.

It's also more important now than ever that we stand in solidarity with all marginalised groups. We've already seen a rise in hate crime against people of colour, and it's clear that disabled people, older people, and people living in poverty are some of those most at risk in the current climate.

Thank you and best wishes,

Director





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