**Workshop W2B**

Title: Inclusive service delivery for LGBT students living with Dis/abilities (Workshop)

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Synopsis of Proposal:

The aim of this session would be to identify and start addressing the barriers that LGBT x Dis/abled students face when accessing University services such as Disability support, advice services, counselling, wellbeing and personal tutors.

The session will begin with a presentation in which to contextualise the current situation for LGBT x Dis/abled students. This will be grounded in the findings in Stonewalls Research (LGBT in Britain: Heath/ University/ Home and Communities reports).

* ¼ LGBT disabled people have experienced discrimination or poor treatment in their

local LGBT community because of being disabled.

* ½ of LGBT people said they’ve experienced depression in the last year.
* 1/8 LGBT people aged 18-24 (13 per cent) said they’ve attempted to take their own life in the last year
* 41% of non-binary people said they harmed themselves in the last year.
* ½ of LGBT people have avoided treatment for fear of discrimination because they're LGBT.
* 47% of LGBT disabled students have been the target of negative remarks from other students.

The second half the of the session will be an interactive exercise in which delegates will work in small teams to think of student journey touchpoints and possible barriers LGBT students may face. They will first identify these barriers, before then offering peer to peer practical solutions to these barriers.

The session will end with a group discussion about how the outcomes of this exercise can be embedded practically in delegates home institutions.

References:

*LGBT in Britain: Health Report*, (2018), Stonewall <https://www.stonewall.org.uk/sites/default/files/lgbt_in_britain_health.pdf>

*LGBT in Britain: Home and Communities,* (2018), Stonewall <https://www.stonewall.org.uk/lgbt-britain-home-and-communities>

*LGBT in Britain: University Report,* (2018), Stonewall <https://www.stonewall.org.uk/lgbt-britain-university-report>