

LGBTI in Child Welfare Reaching the heights for the rights of the child

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LGBT KNOWLEDGE CENTRE

- What we are –
- For who –
- How we do this –
- The LGBT knowled hub for providing n through:
 - Research
 - Capacity-building
 - Provide the Norw Government with knowledge





DEVELOPMENTS IN 2016

- Legal gender recognition act
 - Based on expert group report
 - Self-declaration model
- Universal discrimination act
 - Merging four discrimination acts
- Civil society report on the rights of LGBTI-children
 - Calls for government report on intersex-children
 - Civil society calls for third gender category to be introduced



Rettane til LHBTI-barn i Noreg Vurdering og tilrådingar i lys av FN sin barnekonvensjon





THE ROLE OF ACTION PLANS

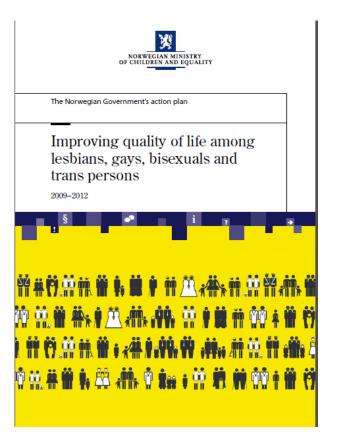
- New Government Action Plan 2016 2019 being developed.
 - To be decided e.g. to what extent intersex and third gender category is to

Measure 23 > Competence raising in the state and municipal child welfare services

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The Ministry of Children and Equality is to prepare a competence raising scheme directed towards employees of the state and municipal child welfare services. Mea: The Norwegian LGBT Association may be an approon th priate collaborator. The regional specialist teams for the child welfare service will be offered competence raising reso schemes, and LGBT perspectives will be implemented abol in the activities of the specialist teams. Satisfactory collaboration between the services and between munici-

Mea palities and regions plays an important role in enabling raisii assistance and follow-up of young lesbians, gays, bisexuchild als and/or trans persons.





RESEARCH SHOWS

- 1 out of 10 heterosexual teenagers reported that they have received support from child welfare services
- 1 out of 4 lesbian or bisexual teenage girls reported to have received help from child welfare services
- 1 out of 3 gay or bisexual teenage boys reported to have received support from child welfare services

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Vold mot lesbiske og homofile tenåringer

En representativ undersøkelse av omfang, risiko og beskyttelse - Ung i Oslo 2006





KNOWLEDGE

- Literature review: To have same-sex parents – what is it like, and how many does it concern? Eivind Grip Fjær 2013, NOVA.
- Mapping: What do children with an alternative gender expression need? Service development in family support, Working Group, 2009, Bufdir.





PINK COMPETENCY CHILD WELFARE





THE PINK COMPETENCY MODEL

- Pink Competency Child Welfare:
 - Funded by Norwegian Directorate for Children, Youth and Family Affairs.
- Based on an established model
 - Expert reference group set up
 - Piloted in 2011
 - Delivered by the same profession
 - Safe space





OVERVIEW OF COURSES

12.03.15 Grünerløkka barneverntjeneste, Oslo kommune 17.06.15 Brusetkollen barnevernsenter, avdelingene Søndre Nordstrand barneverntjeneste, Oslo kommune 05.10.15 16.11.15 Lier barneverntieneste 26.11.15 Konferanse for medlemsbedriftene til NHO service, private tiltaksleverandører (avlyst kvelden før, de fleste av deltakerne måtte prioritere frist for innsending av anbud. Avtale om utsettelse og gjennomføring i 2016) 01.12.15 Andebu barneverntjeneste 02.12.15 Samling med barnevernledere og ledere for barneverninstitusjonene i Buskerud, i regi av Fylkesmannen i Buskerud Agder ungdom - behandling, inkludert MST, Bufetat region sør 11.12.15 Aline og Frydenberg barnevernsenter, Oslo kommune 15.12.15 19.01.16 Enhet for inntak Vestfold, samt Enhet for inntak Buskerud, Bufetat sør Barnevernets akuttinstitusjon for ungdom, Oslo kommune 27.01.16 Brusetkollen barnevernsenter, fosterhjemskonsulenter og forsterede 28.01.16 fosterhjem

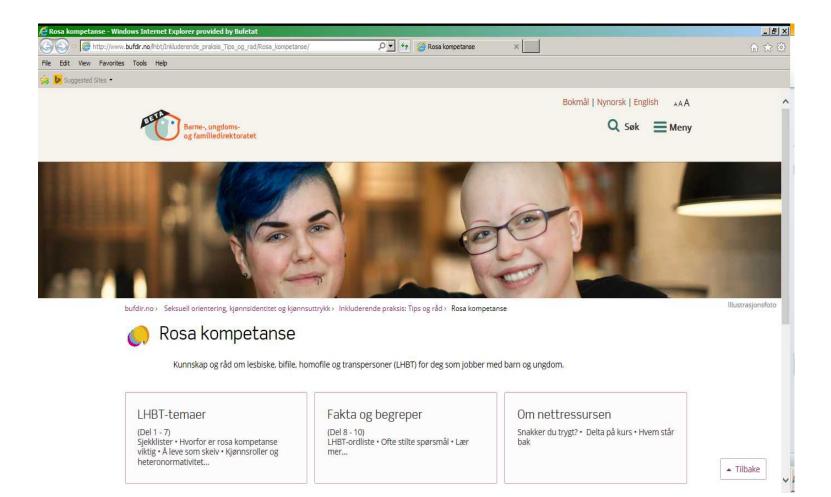
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PINK COMPETENCY ONLINE RESOURCE





CHALLENGES AND WAY FORWARD

What is the effect?

- Aiming to have an evaluation / impact assessment of Pink Competency Child Welfare .
- To find out: When knowledge evolves, do practices evolve to?
- Who is being reached?
 - The size of the programme means an extent of ad hoc delivery.
 - The systematic approach, whether geographic and/or at all levels of services, is yet to be developed properly.
- What is the role of government services after the courses?
 - The collaboration between government and civil society is complementary and fruitful.
 - Yet, systematic follow-up from the side of government cannot be replaced by civil society.

Pink Competency Feedback

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We were very happy with yesterday's course! We have had a lot of discussions on the same topic during yesterday afternoon and it continued today. We have recommended you to the fostercare team and they will be in touch with you shortly.»

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