**Youth Inclusion in Pride**

**Solutions**

With all of the challenges for Pride organisers and young LGBT+ people, it can feel daunting to create young people inclusive spaces and events. But the surveyed and interviewed young people provide a plethora of exciting ideas, hopes and dreams for Pride organisers.

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Description automatically generated**In the young person’s words: what can be done to create young people inclusive Prides overall?

**Mark which of the below you have done and which you could do:**

Mental health first aiders and mental health first aid areas

Community groups, services and information stalls/visibility

Visibility of all groups/identities

Politicised and educative elements, e.g., posters requesting all attendees respect people’s pronouns

Outreach to people with under-represented intersections of identity

Anti-transphobia policies and practices

Affordable/free ticketing

Access to transportation

Safe quiet zones

Earplugs for those who might experience sensory overload

Free water and refreshments, e.g., mocktails, snacks and meals

Signposting to other services

Accessible, non-gendered young people-designated toilet

1. **Integrated provision: marches and parades**

In the young person’s words: what can be done to integrate young people in the wider Pride events?

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**Mark which of the below you have done and which you could do:**

Meeting points

Designated accompaniment

Visibly present (LGBT+) youth groups

Easy exit points

Mobility provisions and support

Wheelchair users (and others who use mobility aids) leading the parade to set the pace

Young people onstage

Young people friendly stage times

LGBT+ youth workers

1. **Separate provision: youth spaces**

In the young person’s words: what can be done to create young people specific Pride spaces?

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**Mark which of the below you have done and which you could do:**

Unaccompanied by parents/carers/guardians

Age and stage appropriate activities

Workshops, such as flag making

Sober parties including, e.g., dancing, singing and performances

Dry/sober spaces that are not directly adjacent to lots of drinking

Appropriate staffing/supervision, e.g., LGBT+ youth workers

Quiet zones *within* youth spaces

Young people involved in organising, programming, leading and/or performing for young people

One-to-one activities and group activities both available

Opportunities to mingle with other LGBT+ young people and support (e.g., activities) to do so