

Sherbourne Health Centre

LGBT Health Program

Contract Position: Co-facilitator for The B Side: Exploring Bisexuality

Sherbourne Health Centre is a community-based health centre that provides health care services to marginalized populations in south-east Toronto. Sherbourne's populations of focus include homeless and under housed people; newcomers, immigrants and refugees; and lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans (LGBT) people. Sherbourne provides a range of primary health care services to LGBT people in Toronto, including primary care, mental health counselling, health promotion, community engagement and community development programs.

The B Side: Exploring Bisexuality is a support and educational group for people who are exploring their attraction to more than one gender or struggling with what their bisexuality means to them and their lives. The B Side offers free, unique and flexible yet structured programming that focuses on group members' needs and experiences and creates opportunities for self-reflection, personal sharing, connecting with others, and learning new skills and information. The overall goal of The B Side is to help people better understand and embrace their sexuality by providing a safe and supportive environment for exploring each member's unique relationship to bisexuality in a setting that emphasizes respect for the diverse possibilities of identity and a wide range of life experiences. The strength of the series lies in the dual role of The B Side facilitators as both facilitators and mentors.

Contract:

We are seeking to engage someone to co-facilitate The B Side series. The series will run for 8 – 10 weekly sessions, approximately 5 hours of work per week. Responsibilities include: intake and assessment for each series, guiding and providing structure for the group, facilitating discussions, providing activities and topics to meet the needs of the group, supporting group members in participating, and providing information and referrals as needed.

Applicants should have strong group facilitation and supportive counselling skills, program planning experience, strong communication and interpersonal skills, and be self reflective and able to maintain the dual role of facilitator and mentor. A background in social work, counselling, or adult education is required. Applicants must have a strong knowledge and interest in bisexual, anti-racist and anti-oppressive communities, culture, events and community building. Applicants must be self motivated and able to meet deadlines; reflective, creative and adaptable depending on participant needs; and have a desire to work in a collaborative way.

This contract position will report to the Program Director, LGBT Health, at Sherbourne Health Centre. Remuneration for each series is \$2,000.

Application: Apply in writing to: Bev Lepischak, Program Director, LGBT Health
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Deadline for Applications: 9:00 am on Monday, February 6, 2012.