

Country Specific Information for Ireland

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BeLonG To is the national organisation for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgendered (LGBT) young people, aged between 14 and 23.

The LGBT Helpline provides access to a network of trained volunteers who provide a non-judgmental, confidential, listening support and information service for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people as well as their families and friends. Our website also provides a gateway to information and support options for LGBT people in Ireland. The Helpline staff also have useful information for people questioning if they might be lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender.

GLEN is a Policy- and Strategy-focused NGO, which aims to deliver ambitious and positive change for lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex (LGBTI) people in Ireland, ensuring full equality, inclusion and protection from all forms of discrimination

‘BEING LGBT IN SCHOOL’

A Resource for Post-Primary Schools to Prevent Homophobic and Transphobic Bullying and Support LGBT Pupils

Social Personal and Health Education (SPHE) The SPHE programme reflects the unique ethos of each school. The attitudes, skills and values fostered in the SPHE classroom can only truly flourish in a school where all members of the school community are treated with respect and dignity.

Professional Development Service for Teachers (PDST)

The PDST is Ireland’s largest single support service offering professional learning opportunities to teachers and school leaders in a range of pedagogical, curricular and educational areas.

TUSLA

The Child and Family Agency is the dedicated State agency responsible for improving wellbeing and outcomes for children. It represents the most comprehensive reform of child protection, early intervention and family support services ever undertaken in Ireland. The Agency operates under the Child and Family Agency Act 2013.

Children First

Provides the national guidance for the protection and welfare of children in Ireland. The guidance is the roadmap to help parents, professionals, organisations and the general public to identify and report child abuse and welfare concerns.

Links

<http://www.belongto.org/>

<http://www.lgbt.ie/>

<http://www.glen.ie/>

<http://www.education.ie/en/Publications/Education-Reports/Being-LGBT-in-School.pdf>

www.sphe.ie

www.pdst.ie

<http://www.tusla.ie/>

[Children First: National Guidance for the Protection and Welfare of Children \[2011\]](#)

[Child and Family Agency Act 2013](#)

Useful Links Provided by the Department of Education and Skills

[Being LGBT in School](#)

[Including Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students in School Policies - Guidelines for Principals](#)