

RAINBOW HOUSING FOR OLDER ADULTS

ONLINE EDUCATION SERIES

Workshop 1 - Older Adult LGBTQ+ Awareness Tues. June 6th, 9:30 - 10:30 am

Presented by Diane Kilby & Leslie Litwiller - Volunteers with lived experience from the Mayor's Advisory Council for Kitchener Seniors

Housing for 2SLBBTQ+ Seniors comes with issues and history that are unique to these communities. Gain a greater awareness of these issues, learn how to become a greater ally, and ask questions in a safe space.

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Workshop 2 - Best Practices in LGBTQ+ Affirming Housing Tues. June 13th, 9:30 - 10:30 am

Co-Presented by: Sydney Kopp Richardson (Director of SAGE USA's National LGBTQ+ Elder Housing Initiative) & Brad Lawrence (General Manager of the Village of Winston Park Retirement Residence in Kitchener)

Sydney will discuss the housing barriers facing LGBTQ+ elders as well as the model of affirming affordable housing and other key considerations to address housing barriers.

Brad believes that creating a safe and welcoming space for LGBTQ+ seniors in retirement communities takes more than hanging a rainbow flag. He started Code Rainbow in 2017, inviting staff and residents to participate in positive training, and attend Pride events hosted in the community and at Winston Park. Brad will share his experiences initiating Code Rainbow, which continues today.

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