SUPPORTING TRANS YOUNG PEOPLE

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CHECK NAME AND PRONOUNS

- Check if they go by a different name to what may be on formal documents
- · Ask which pronouns they use
- Should these be used publicly, among friends or remain between the two of you?

BE A GOOD ROLE MODEL

- Use preferred names and pronouns and politely correct others if they make a mistake
- Call out transphobic comments and behaviours. If you don't know what this looks like, find out!

ENCOURAGE CONNECTIONS WITH PEERS

- Suggest LGBTIQA+ hangouts like 'As You Are' at Headspace
- Check out Twenty10 for online chats and events for people aged 12-25
- With permission connect them to other TGD people, maintaining the privacy of everyone involved

KEEP THINGS CONFIDENTIAL AND PROFESSIONAL

- Don't disclose their identity without permission, as this could place the young person in an unsafe environment
- Do not assume parents/guardians are aware or supportive of someone's identity
- Remember that inappropriate or irrelevant questions are a breach of privacy

EDUCATE YOURSELF

- Browse plenty of reliable resources online
- Be willing to put in the effort and learn

BE A VISIBLE ALLY

- Individuals: Use stickers, posters (like this one!), flags and resource handouts
- Companies: Have inclusive policies and clear complaint/discrimination procedures. Use gender neutral forms and aim for gender neutral bathrooms or signage



To get your own posters, or sign our pledge to support trans and gender diverse people, go to huntergenderalliance.org or use the QR Code on the left.





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