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Notice of Concept Paper: LGBTQ+ CAMP Coalitions

The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) intends to issue an RFP to identify seven (7) community coalitions experienced in utilizing environmental change strategies to addresses issues unique to the LGBTQ+ communities, ideally related to the prevention of the initiation of substance use among LGBTQ+ youth, and LGBTQ+ youth of color. Coalitions may elect to work in a specific geographic neighborhood(s), or may choose to focus on a specific community, such as the ballroom community within the LGBTQ community. The goals of this RFP are to: Support community coalitions in NYC in implementing environmental change strategies and support services that focus on the unique needs of the LGBTQ+ communities; Change community conditions to limit access, or perceived access, of LGBTQ+ youth to alcohol and other substances; Increase community awareness of disparities in substance use between LGBTQ+ youth and straight and cisgender youth in NYC; and Change community conditions to increase social connectedness and acceptance of LGBTQ+ youth within NYC.

The Concept Paper will be posted on <u>PASSPort - Public Portal</u> from September 10, 2020 through October 26, 2020. Instructions on how submit written comments will be included in the PASSPort posting as well as the concept paper itself.