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Rainbow Connect – group sessions		
and 1x1 specifically for LGBTQ+		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
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Catholic Crosscultural Services (CCS) Free support for all LGBTQ+	Catholic Crosscultural Services (CCS)	,
newcomers in the Greater Toronto		
Area (GTA). Scarborough,		
Mississauga, and Brampton.		·
Confidential 1-on-1 support and a support group for LGBTQ+		• •
newcomers. Contact Sara See		
(they/she):ssee@ccscan.ca		
416-757-7010 extension 3212		
https://www.facebook.com/saras.ccs/		
Intake form		

This resource was developed in collaboration with Access Alliance Multicultural Health and Community Services for a Community Conversation event on April 27, 2022.





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OCASI Positive Spaces Initiative Rainbow Railroad	Supports the immigrant and refugee serving sector to more effectively serve LGBTQ+ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and/or questioning) newcomers. Rainbow Railroad is a Canadian charitable organization that helps lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer individuals escape violence and persecution in their home countries.
Immigration and Refugee Legal Clinic for LGBTQ+ Individuals (The 519)	Free over-the-phone and video-based general summary advice for LGBTQ+ refugees and newcomers around refugee-related matters and asylum claims with a focus on sexual orientation and gender identity.
New to Canada – Support for Refugees and Newcomers (The 519)	A number of free programs for LGBTQ+ Newcomers: Filling government applications, information and referrals, ongoing guidance, staffled programs, groups, and workshops, guest workshops, one-off events, and more The best contact info for connecting with our Newcomer Settlement Team is: • NewToCanada@The519.org • 416-392-6878 extension 4000 Folks can also request an intake appointment using this form.
Sherbourne Health – LGBT2SQ Health	Sherbourne offers a wide range of primary healthcare programs and services to lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, two-spirited, intersex, queer or questioning individuals.
Rainbow Health Ontario	Creates opportunities for the healthcare system to better serve LGBT2SQ communities.

