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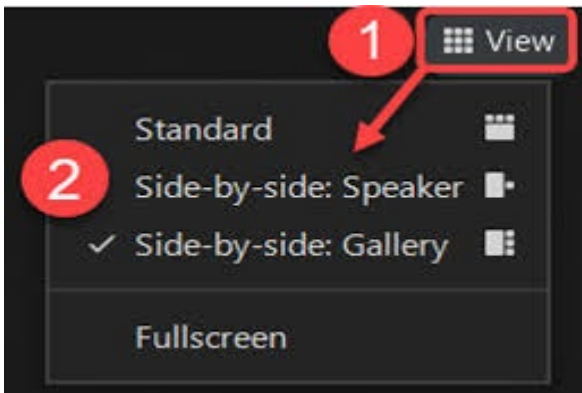
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Agenda

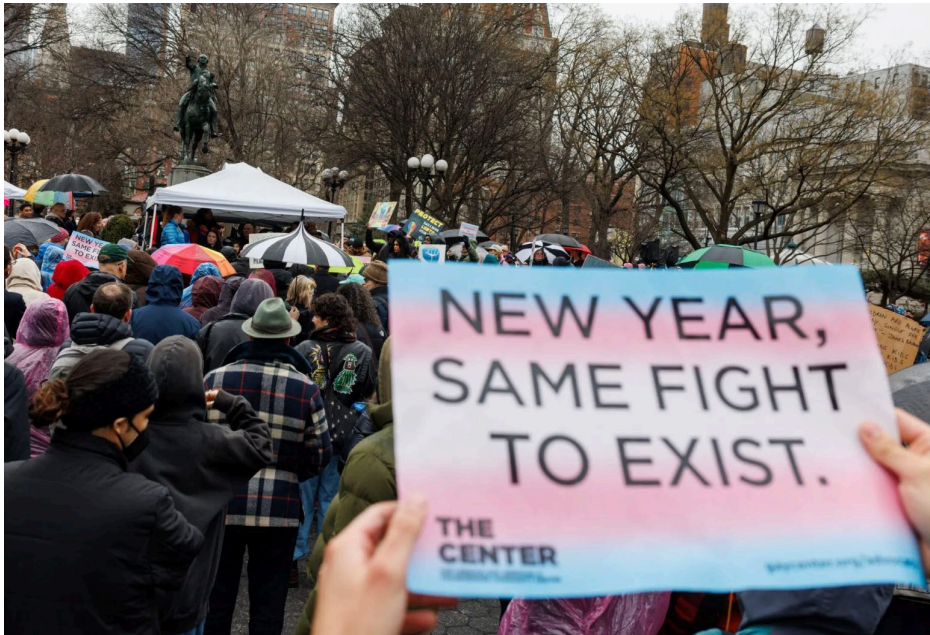
1. Introductions
2. Focus: June is LGBTQ+ Pride Month
3. Panel Discussion

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- 30 years in MH/SU/IDD Field
- 13 years in DHHS
- DMH/DD/SUS since Dec 2022
- Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)
- Person with lived experience

Framing the Discussion: LGBTQ Life in 2026



- The legal landscape is mixed
- Transgender rights are a primary flashpoint
- Health care access is under pressure
- Public opinion is not moving in one direction
- For many communities, equality on paper still does not mean safety in daily life

Today's Discussion

During our panel discussion today, we hope you take away:

1. LGBTQIA+ mental health considerations in service delivery
2. Ideas and strategies to engage friends and colleagues around granting ALL people dignity
3. Resources for your specific role to help assist in building a stronger, safer space for all



Panel Discussion

PANELISTS

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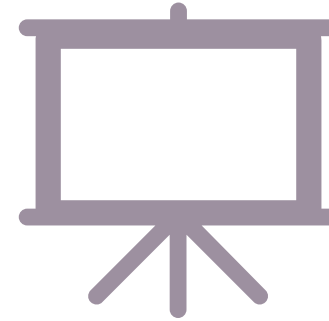
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