

## 2021 EMPLOYER PARTICIPATION DETAILS

**EMPLOYER DETAILS: ALL ORGANISATIONS/EMPLOYERS MUST COMPLETE THIS PART OF THE SUBMISSION**

**EMPLOYER DETAILS: PLEASE CHECK THAT YOU HAVE COMPLETED ALL DETAILS WITHIN EACH ROW OF THIS TABLE**

EMPLOYER / ORGANISATION DETAILS	
Organisation Name:	Attorney-General's Department
Sector: <i>Please delete those not relevant</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Public/Government: Federal
Employer Size (within Australia): <i>Please delete those not relevant</i>	Number of employees within Australia: <input type="checkbox"/> 2,000 – 8,000 employees
Regional Employers	Is your head office Regional? <i>No</i>
Global Employers	Do you have international offices: <i>No</i> Is your head office in Australia: <i>Yes</i>
Contact Person for the Index: <i>Please provide full contact details including postal address and postcode.</i> <i>This is the person we should contact if we have any questions. Email results will also be sent to this person and hard copy participation certificates will be mailed to this person.</i>	Name: § 22(1) Position Title: Assistant Director, Performance and Diversity Postal address (including postcode): Robert Garran Offices, 3-5 National Circuit, Barton, ACT, 2600 Phone number: § 22(1) Email: § 22(1)

INTERNATIONAL WORKPLACE INDEX PARTICIPATION	
Do you participate in any other workplace equality indices globally? <i>Please delete those not relevant</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Stonewall's Workplace Equality Index (UK) <input type="checkbox"/> HRC's Corporate Equality Index (US) <input type="checkbox"/> Community Business LGBT Workplace Inclusion Index (Hong Kong) <input type="checkbox"/> Workplace Pride Index Amsterdam <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <b>Australian Network on Disability, Access and Inclusion Index</b>

INDUSTRY BENCHMARKS	
<p>Participating employers will by default be benchmarked according to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sector: Public / Private / NFP / Higher Education</li> <li>• Government: Federal, State, Local</li> <li>• Employer Size</li> <li>• Awarded Tier Recognition</li> <li>• Global Employers</li> </ul> <p><i>All benchmarking tables will be provided for comparison, but only those that reflect your dominant industry/business should be selected here.</i></p> <p><i>Please remove all that are not applicable or your core industry business.</i></p>	<p>In addition to the Industries/Sectors listed in the column to the left, select the Industries most relevant to your organisation's area(s) of focus:</p> <p><b>Please select a maximum of 4 industries:</b></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="width: 60%;"></div> <div style="width: 35%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Law Enforcement  <input type="checkbox"/> Legal  <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Services &amp; Consulting  <hr style="width: 100%;"/> </div> </div>

DISCLOSURE RECOGNITION	
<p><b>Please select participation identification level at which we can identify you (Name and Employer Tier only, no scores)</b></p> <p><i>Please delete those not relevant</i></p>	<p>We list employers annually that reach each of the employer recognition tiers within the AWEI, unless you choose to be anonymous. Some employers choose only to be identified should they reach a certain recognition tier.</p> <p><b>Select the recognition tier at which you would like to be publicly identified:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> We are happy to be identified regardless of employer tier reached</p>

ADDITIONAL AWARD SUBMISSIONS	
<p><b>Have you considered nominating someone for an LGBTQ Inclusion Award?</b></p> <p>Please list any other LGBTQ Inclusion Awards that you are submitting for this year within the AWEI. This provides us with a cross-check reference to ensure that all expected submissions are received.</p>	<p><b>Award Nomination Categories:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>CEO of the Year Award:</b> <i>(insert nominee name/s)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Executive Leadership Award:</b> <i>(insert nominee name/s)</i></p>



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider nominating a group or individual for their extensive work in LGBTQ inclusion within your organisation</li> <li>• More than one nomination in each category may be received</li> </ul> <p>• Individual Nomination submission forms can be found here:  <a href="http://www.pid-awei.com.au/submission-documents/">http://www.pid-awei.com.au/submission-documents/</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> External Media Campaign Award: <u>(insert nominee name/s)</u></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> OUT Role Model Award: <u>(insert nominee name/s)</u></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Network Leader of the Year Award: <u>(insert nominee name/s)</u></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sally Webster Ally Award: <u>(insert nominee name/s)</u></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sapphire Inspire Award for LGBTQ Women: <u>(insert nominee name/s)</u></li> </ul>
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NEGATIVE PRESS / COMPLAINTS DISCLOSURE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>We have received negative press that has impacted our reputation as an LGBTQ inclusive employer</b></li> <li>• <b>Formal complaints were lodged against us for LGBTQ discrimination, bullying or harassment (Fair Work Ombudsman, Human Rights Commission, Sex Discrimination Act)</b></li> <li>• <b>We understand that up to 25 points <i>may be</i> deducted from our score if we have received a significant amount of negative press regarding an anti-LGBTQ incident where our organisation was responsible and insufficient action was taken to rectify this.</b></li> </ul> <p>In relation to the above (maintaining required confidentiality), please broadly outline your course of action or response/outcomes of any complaints lodged:</p>

ACCURACY STATEMENT								
<p>We confirm that at the time of submission, details provided for all questions identified within the three submission documents are true and accurate. We understand that should any claims be found to be false, points and rankings will be adjusted accordingly.</p>								
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## 2021 STANDARD EMPLOYER AWEI

### SECTION 1: STANDING SUBMISSION

This section pertains to LGBTQ inclusion within organisational policies and practice.

The Standing Submission includes:	
<b>HR Policy &amp; Diversity Practice:</b>	Standard practices within HR Policies and explicit LGBTQ inclusion within them; including third party policies
<b>LGBTQ Bullying / Harassment &amp; Support:</b>	Tracking and handling of potential incidents and support for LGBTQ employees, should this occur



<b>Trans &amp; Gender Diverse Inclusion:</b>	Explicit policy inclusion for trans and gender diverse employees; including leave, forms, titles and dress codes
<b>Strategic Focus:</b>	Accountabilities and role responsibilities for HR and Executive staff; external / customer facing inclusion promotions

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

If you have submitted an AWEI last year, ***you may choose to carry over your point allocations within Section 1: Standing Submission only.***

- **If you wish to carry over your entire Standing Submission scores from last year, please leave Section 1: Standing Submission blank.** (Recommended if you are satisfied with your previous scores and/or no further work has been done in this section.)
- **If you leave any questions blank within this section, we will not change the score from last year.**

**OR:**

- **If you wish to submit (or re-submit) for any question/s within Section 1: Standing Submission, please submit evidence for the individual question/s applicable.**
- **If you submit evidence for any question, the evidence and score will be re-evaluated based only on the evidence supplied within this Submission** (last year's evidence will not be referenced, so you must re-submit all evidence requested).

<b>Please provide the name and contact details of your Senior HR person:</b>	
<b>Senior HR Person:</b>	Michelle Norris
<b>Contact Details (email / phone):</b>	s 47E(d)
<b>Should we require clarification/verification for any particular question within Section 1: Standing Submission, we will contact this individual. If this contact is not supplied, it may result in a loss of points for questions within this section.</b>	

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## STANDING SUBMISSION: HR POLICY & DIVERSITY PRACTICE

<b>STANDING SUBMISSION: HR POLICY &amp; DIVERSITY PRACTICE</b>	<b>FOUNDATION</b>
<b>1. Removal of the terms: 'Sexual Preference' or 'Lifestyle Choice(s)'</b>	<b>Max. 2 points</b>
<b>We have conducted a review to ensure that any reference to 'sexual preference' or 'lifestyle choice' within our policy documentation, diversity references, on external facing websites and company intranet pages has been replaced with the words 'sexual orientation.'</b>	
<i>Please provide an outline of progress to date.</i>	

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

<b>STANDING SUBMISSION: HR POLICY &amp; DIVERSITY PRACTICE</b>	<b>FOUNDATION</b>
<b>2. LGBTQ Inclusivity within Policies and Benefits</b>	<b>Max. 2 points</b>

**On our policy intranet pages (or upfront within our policy documentation), we have made it explicitly clear that all policies are inclusive of LGBTQ employees and their families (where families are included within policies/benefits).**

*Please provide a screenshot or insert attachment of where you state the explicit inclusion of LGBTQ employees (and families where relevant) within policies/benefits (please do NOT attach complete policies).*

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

<b>STANDING SUBMISSION: HR POLICY &amp; DIVERSITY PRACTICE</b>	<b>FOUNDATION</b>
<b>3. New Parent Leave Inclusive of LGBTQ Families</b>	<b>Max. 3 points</b>

**On our policy pages (or upfront within our family policy documentation), we explicitly communicate that our New Parent Leave (or equivalent) includes those who have children via surrogacy, adoption and foster arrangements regardless of employee gender.**

*For full points, please identify:*

- (a) If leave covers surrogacy and where the availability of this leave is **explicitly communicated for LGBTQ families***
- (b) If leave covers adoption and where the availability of this leave is **explicitly communicated for LGBTQ families***
- (c) If leave covers foster arrangement and where the availability of this leave is **explicitly communicated for LGBTQ families***

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

<b>STANDING SUBMISSION: HR POLICY &amp; DIVERSITY PRACTICE</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b>
<b>4. Travel Advice for Employees</b>	<b>2 points</b>

**We have travel advice and support available to our LGBTQ employees or employees with LGBTQ dependents should they be required to travel for work (e.g. cultural context, safety, LGBTQ matters in other jurisdictions).**

*Please provide a copy of travel advice available.*

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

STANDING SUBMISSION: HR POLICY & DIVERSITY PRACTICE	ADVANCED
<b>5. Third Party Policies</b>	<b>Max. 2 points</b>
<p>We have audited third party service providers to ensure they align with our non-discriminatory policies/procedures, inclusive of LGBTQ people and their families.</p> <p>Please select <u>all</u> that have been audited, evidence only required for <u>one</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Superannuation</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Death &amp; TDP Benefits / Life Insurance</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Travel Insurance</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare (excluding EAP – Employee Assistance Programs – covered elsewhere)</li> </ul> <p>Please select all that have been audited from the list above (clicking the check box will mark it as selected). Please also provide evidence for <u>one</u> of the above, showing explicitly where LGBTQ inclusivity is stated.</p> <p><i>[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]</i></p>	

STANDING SUBMISSION: HR POLICY & DIVERSITY PRACTICE	ADVANCED
<b>6. LGBTQ Inclusive Domestic &amp; Family Violence Policy</b>	<b>Max. 5 points</b>
<p>We have a Domestic &amp; Family Violence Policy (DFV) that covers the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) specific challenges and unique types of violence faced by LGBTQ communities</li> <li>(b) stated LGBTQ avenues of support</li> <li>(c) a statement that the policy <b>explicitly covers LGBTQ people, partners and their families</b></li> </ul> <p>For full points, please provide evidence for all of the above. (Please only provide evidence specific to each of the above points, do not attach your entire policy.)</p> <p><i>[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]</i></p>	

STANDING SUBMISSION: HR POLICY & DIVERSITY PRACTICE	ADVANCED
<b>7. Communications on LGBTQ Inclusive and Offensive Language</b>	<b>max. 4 points</b>
<p>We have developed targeted communications or public relations guides that outline how to reference LGBTQ communities in communications, articles, media, and/or advertising that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) provide examples of <b>both</b> inclusive language AND language that is exclusive/offensive to LGBTQ people</li> <li>b) <b>are available to all employees within the organisation</b></li> </ul> <p>For full points, please attach:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) a copy of your guide that includes examples of both inclusive language AND exclusive/offensive to LGBTQ people</li> <li>(b) details of how this guide is made available to employees</li> </ul>	

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

## STANDING SUBMISSION: LGBTQ BULLYING/HARASSMENT & SUPPORT

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#### 8. LGBTQ Training HR / Grievance Officers

**FOUNDATION**  
**Max. 3 points**

We have an internal formal HR/Grievance process whereby LGBTQ people can request or engage with:

- a) someone specifically trained in LGBTQ Inclusion; OR
- b) an ally who has a good understanding of LGBTQ sensitivities and potential areas of concern

*For full points, please confirm:*

- (a) that all identified LGBTQ friendly Grievance Officers or first points of contact have either; undertaken LGBTQ awareness training or are experienced allies with a good understanding of sensitivities
- (b) where these LGBTQ aware/friendly grievance contact points can be located or requested for those seeking formal support

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

**STANDING SUBMISSION: LGBTQ BULLYING/HARASSMENT & SUPPORT**

**INTERMEDIATE  
Max. 4 points**

**9. Behavioural Examples of What Constitutes Bullying / Harassment**

Documentation within our bullying and harassment policy/guidelines provide clear behavioural examples of what constitutes bullying/harassment in terms of sexual orientation, gender identity/expression AND examples of behaviour that constitutes bullying/harassment of intersex people.

*For full points, please provide evidence of behavioural examples given within your documentation in terms of:*

- (a) behaviour that constitutes bullying/harassment in regard to one's sexual orientation
- (b) behaviour that constitutes bullying/harassment of trans or gender diverse employees
- (c) behaviour that constitutes bullying/harassment of intersex people

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

**STANDING SUBMISSION: LGBTQ BULLYING/HARASSMENT & SUPPORT**

**INTERMEDIATE  
Max. 3 points**

**10. EAP Provider**

**We have either:**

- a) identified individuals within our EAP provider who have received specific training in, or have considerable understanding of the challenges faced by LGBTQ individuals that we can refer our LGBTQ employees
- b) received documentation that we believe demonstrates both the knowledge and expertise of our EAP provider to support LGBTQ people

**and we have:**

- c) clearly communicated this on our EAP Provider page and/or our LGBTQ intranet page

*Please provide:*

- (a) evidence of (a) or (b) above and
- (b) where this has been communicated on an LGBTQ intranet page

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

**STANDING SUBMISSION: LGBTQ BULLYING/HARASSMENT & SUPPORT**

**ADVANCED  
Max. 4 points**

**11. Tracking of Incidents**



**We can provide evidence that shows:**

- a) how we extract LGBTQ related instances from collected bullying/harassment data
- b) the development of a process that is sensitive to LGBTQ disclosure enabling us to mediate and/or action incidents

*For full points, please screenshot or provide evidence for both a) and b) above.*

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

## STANDING SUBMISSION: INCLUSION OF TRANS AND GENDER DIVERSE PEOPLE

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**12. Gender Affirmation Policy and Process Documentation**

**INTERMEDIATE**

**Max. 5 points**

**We have a documented gender affirmation policy/process and documentation to support both; the employee(s) wishing to affirm their gender in the workplace AND their manager(s), peers and colleagues.**

**Note: 'Gender affirmation' (above) is the ideal term for what has commonly been referred to as 'transitioning.'**

*Please provide:*

- a) a copy of this specific policy/process*
- b) detailed support documentation for employee(s) wishing to affirm their gender in the workplace*
- c) detailed support/educational documentation for managers peers and colleagues*

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

#### STANDING SUBMISSION: INCLUSION OF TRANS AND GENDER DIVERSE PEOPLE

**ADVANCED**

##### 13. Dress Codes and Uniforms

**Max. 4 points**

**We have removed gendered language within organisational wide dress code policies and/or guidelines to empower all employees, including trans, gender diverse and non-binary employees to dress in a manner (or select uniforms) that best reflects who they are.**

**Further contact details and information has also been provided for support, if required.**

*For full points, policies or guidelines must:*

- a) state that all employees are supported to dress in a manner that best reflects their gender **identity***
- b) explicitly mentions trans, gender diverse and non-binary employees*
- c) provide a support contact or further information on interpreting these guidelines, if required*

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

#### STANDING SUBMISSION: INCLUSION OF TRANS AND GENDER DIVERSE PEOPLE

**ADVANCED**

##### 14. Gender Affirmation Leave

**Max. 4 points**

**We have an internal policy that ensures additional paid leave is available for employees who require time away to undertake or physically manage their gender affirmation.**

**Note: For full points, this leave must be in addition to the need to utilise annual leave, sick or generic personal leave.**

*For full points, please provide:*

- (a) evidence of a paid leave entitlement (over and above annual leave, sick or generic personal leave) for individuals currently affirming their gender*
- (b) a list of any supporting documentation required from the employee for you to enact this leave*

(c) *whether this leave availability is standard HR policy or solely dependent on the discretion of the manager*

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

**STANDING SUBMISSION: INCLUSION OF TRANS AND GENDER DIVERSE PEOPLE**

**ADVANCED  
Max. 4 points**

**15. Gender Neutral Bathrooms and Facilities**

We have (or are working towards) having 'Gender Neutral' or 'All Gender' bathrooms and/or facilities with clear and visible signage available to employees.

Note: "Unisex" signage will not be given points for this question. **We are seeking more inclusive language for inclusive signage.**

*If you already have gender neutral or all gender signage, please provide:*

- (a) *evidence of a communication regarding where 'Gender Neutral' or 'All Gender' bathroom/facilities can be located*
- (b) *evidence of clear and visible signage as it appears at the bathroom/facility location*

*If you are still making progress towards this, please:*

- (c) *outline progress made and when you expect to have signage in place.*

*If this is not possible for any reason, please provide:*

- (d) *evidence of any research or work that you have done in this area*
- (e) *any means by which you have been able to accommodate trans, gender diverse and non-binary employees*

**\* Please refer to the Evidence Guidelines regarding changes made to this question.\***

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

**STANDING SUBMISSION: INCLUSION OF TRANS AND GENDER DIVERSE PEOPLE**

**ADVANCED  
Max. 2 points**

**16. (Forms) Non-Binary Gender Options for Employees**

**We have audited and amended (or are in the process of auditing/amending) all internal documents and forms that collect gender information to include non-binary options and options for those who identify as trans or gender diverse (moving away from binary male/female, Mr. Ms., Mrs etc.).**

*For full points, please provide:*

- (a) a brief outline of progress of work to date
- (b) options provided within changed documents if changes have been made

OR (c) *evidence that you do not collect or have removed gender options or gendered information on your forms*

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

**STANDING SUBMISSION: INCLUSION OF TRANS AND GENDER DIVERSE PEOPLE**

**ADVANCED**

**17. (IT Systems) Non-Binary Gender Options for Employees**

**Max. 2 points**

**We have audited and amended (or are in the process of amending) all relevant IT systems that collect gender information to include non-binary options and options for those who identify as trans or gender diverse (moving away from binary male/female, Mr. Ms., Mrs etc.).**

*For full points, please provide:*

- (a) a brief outline of progress of work to date
- (b) options provided within systems if changes have been made

OR (c) *evidence that you do not collect or have removed gender options or gendered information within your systems*

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

**STANDING SUBMISSION: INCLUSION OF TRANS AND GENDER DIVERSE PEOPLE**

**ADVANCED**

**18. Trans and Gender Diverse Applicants**

**Max. 6 points**

**For trans and gender diverse applicants, we have:**

- a) Implemented processes to help reduce roadblocks/difficulties faced by trans and gender diverse **people who are applying for jobs**
- b) ***clearly communicated*** a point of contact available for trans and gender diverse applicants throughout the **recruitment** process on relevant web pages or within application documentation
- c) provided documentation addressing concerns specific to trans and gender diverse applicants and made these available throughout the recruitment process

*For full points, evidence must be provided for all items above. Partial points will be given if all items are not evidenced.*

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

**STANDING SUBMISSION: STRATEGIC FOCUS**

<b>STANDING SUBMISSION: STRATEGIC FOCUS</b> <b>19. External Website LGBTQ Workplace Inclusion Promotion</b>	<b>FOUNDATION</b> <b>Max. 2 points</b>
<p>We have promoted our focus and work on LGBTQ workplace inclusion on our <u>external</u> facing webpage (URL).</p> <p>Please provide the URL of an external webpage that specifically promotes your inclusion work. (Points will not be given if we are unable to access this externally.)</p> <p><i>[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]</i></p>	

<b>STANDING SUBMISSION: STRATEGIC FOCUS</b> <b>20. HR / Diversity Professional Accountabilities</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE</b> <b>2 points</b>
<p>We have at least one Diversity / HR professional whose job description, performance appraisal or work plan includes <u>specific and detailed</u> LGBTQ inclusion objectives/targets.</p> <p><b>Note: This is beyond a general reference to LGBTQ inclusion as an area of diversity.</b></p> <p>Please provide evidence of such specific targets.</p> <p><i>[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]</i></p>	

<b>STANDING SUBMISSION: STRATEGIC FOCUS</b> <b>21. Executive Sponsor or LGBTQ Champion</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b> <b>Max. 4 points</b>
<p>We have an Executive Sponsor located <u>within our Australian offices</u> with documented role expectations/accountabilities related to LGBTQ inclusion work and advocacy within the organisation.</p> <p>For full points, please provide evidence of both:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the documented role expectation/accountabilities</li> <li>(b) the mechanism through which the Executive Sponsor reports or is made accountable for these</li> </ul> <p><i>[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]</i></p>	

<b>STANDING SUBMISSION: STRATEGIC FOCUS</b> <b>22. Senior Management Diversity Accountability</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b> <b>Max. 4 points</b>
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**We include specific diversity and inclusion accountabilities, job goals or expected outcomes within senior management appraisals beyond generic company values addressing diversity/inclusion (this may or may not include LGBTQ specific accountabilities).**

**Note: This is outside of network leadership and executive sponsor accountabilities - applies to all executive/senior leaders.**

*For full points, please:*

- (a) confirm that there are diversity accountabilities (over and above general behavioural values) within senior management appraisals.*
- (b) provide evidence (template example acceptable) or if highly confidential, please indicate the name of a senior HR person who can verify this:*

*[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]*

<b>STANDING SUBMISSION: STRATEGIC FOCUS</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b>
<b>23. Customer-facing LGBTQ Inclusion</b>	<b>Max. 3 points</b>
<b>We have evaluated (or are in the process of evaluating) the LGBTQ inclusivity of customer facing / service user processes.</b>	
<i>For full points, please:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>a) clearly outline the extent of this work and progress made to date</i></li> </ul>	
<i>[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]</i>	

<b>STANDING SUBMISSION: STRATEGIC FOCUS</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b>
<b>24. Customers Information: Changing Gender Markers</b>	<b>3 points</b>
<b>We provide customers / service users with easily accessible information on how they can change their title (Mr, Ms, Mx), name and gender within our systems.</b>	
<i>For full points, please provide either:</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>a) a copy of the customer/service user documentation that outlines this or a screenshot of that information.</i></li> <li><i>b) evidence that you do not collect or have removed gender options or gendered information in your systems</i></li> </ul>	
<i>[Insert Evidence Here or Indicate Name of Attached File(s)]</i>	

**\*\* END OF SECTION 1: STANDING SUBMISSION \*\***

## ANNUAL SUBMISSION

**This part of the Submission (Sections 2 – 10) is only applicable to work carried out in the 2020 calendar year. Points will not be allocated for work carried out in 2021.**

**All questions within the Annual Submission must be answered in order to obtain point allocation. No points are carried over within these sections.**

**A reminder to read each question carefully and the specific evidence required, respectively.**

- Each question asks for specific LGBTQ-explicit evidence. If inadequate or incomplete evidence is provided for any question, full points may not be obtained.
- If attaching evidence, please indicate the question number / title on the file name

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**\*\*Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and national/state-wide restrictions, social distancing and other related factors, we will be accepting any virtual or digital evidence for the questions within the Annual Submission.\*\***

## **SECTION 2: STRATEGY & ACCOUNTABILITY**

<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: STRATEGY &amp; ACCOUNTABILITY</b> <b>1. External LGBTQ Expertise</b>	<b>FOUNDATION</b> <b>Max. 2 points</b>
<p><b>We have access to external LGBTQ support/expertise that we have called upon throughout the assessed year (this may include but is not limited to PID).</b></p> <p><i>Please provide evidence of <u>one</u> such engagement throughout the assessed year, identifying who that was with.</i></p> <p>The department engaged both Pride in Diversity an A Gender Agenda to facilitate training during 2020. See <b>Attachment's A and B.</b></p>	

<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: STRATEGY &amp; ACCOUNTABILITY</b> <b>2. Documented LGBTQ Strategy</b>	<b>FOUNDATION</b> <b>Max. 3 points</b>
<p><b>We have a documented LGBTQ inclusion strategy (or pillar within an overarching diversity strategy) in place for the assessed year that includes <u>clearly defined</u> LGBTQ targets and/or action plans.</b></p> <p><i>Please provide a copy of the LGBTQ component of your strategy and clearly defined targets. If your strategy does not contain clearly defined LGBTQ targets, please provide any accompanying/supporting action plans that will show specific goals in this area</i></p> <p>The department has developed a Diversity Strategy which outlines the department's aim to promote diversity and build an inclusive workplace for all employees. A copy of the strategy is at <b>Attachment C.</b> The strategy outlines the department's aim to promote diversity and build an inclusive workplace for all employees (see below screenshot).</p> <p><u>For noting the strategy is currently under review ahead of an update and launch of a new strategy later in 2021.</u></p>	



Our strategy focuses on a range of areas including cultural diversity, gender, work life/flexibility, disability, Indigenous, sexual orientation and age. It does this by bringing together work that we already do with new initiatives that will help to achieve our vision.

### **Our objectives**

The objectives of our strategy are to:

1. ensure that staff can fully and equally participate in, and contribute to, the work of the department
2. ensure that all staff have access to inclusive and flexible work practices and are assisted by structures, conditions and systems that support their professional and personal circumstances
3. harness and celebrate our diversity and use our collective skills, knowledge and experiences in a way that promotes individual diversity without discrimination
4. prevent and eliminate harassment and unlawful discrimination in the workplace, and
5. leverage our unique policy position in Government to show leadership in the community and the broader Australia Public Service.

## Our strategy

Four action areas will enable us to achieve our outcomes and fulfil our vision.

### 1. Employee profile and development

We will diversify our employee and leadership profile by:

- undertaking specific recruitment actions to employ and advance people from diverse groups who are under-represented
- providing professional development and networking opportunities to improve our retention of people from diversity groups already working here, and
- ensuring our leaders and managers have the capability and systems in place to support diverse teams.

### 2. Adaptable workplaces and practices

We will adapt our work practices and culture to ensure all of our people can contribute by:

- continuing to provide reasonable adjustments, support and advice to employees and managers, and
- facilitating and supporting flexible ways of working, including job sharing.

### 3. Corporate citizenship

We will demonstrate our corporate citizenship by:

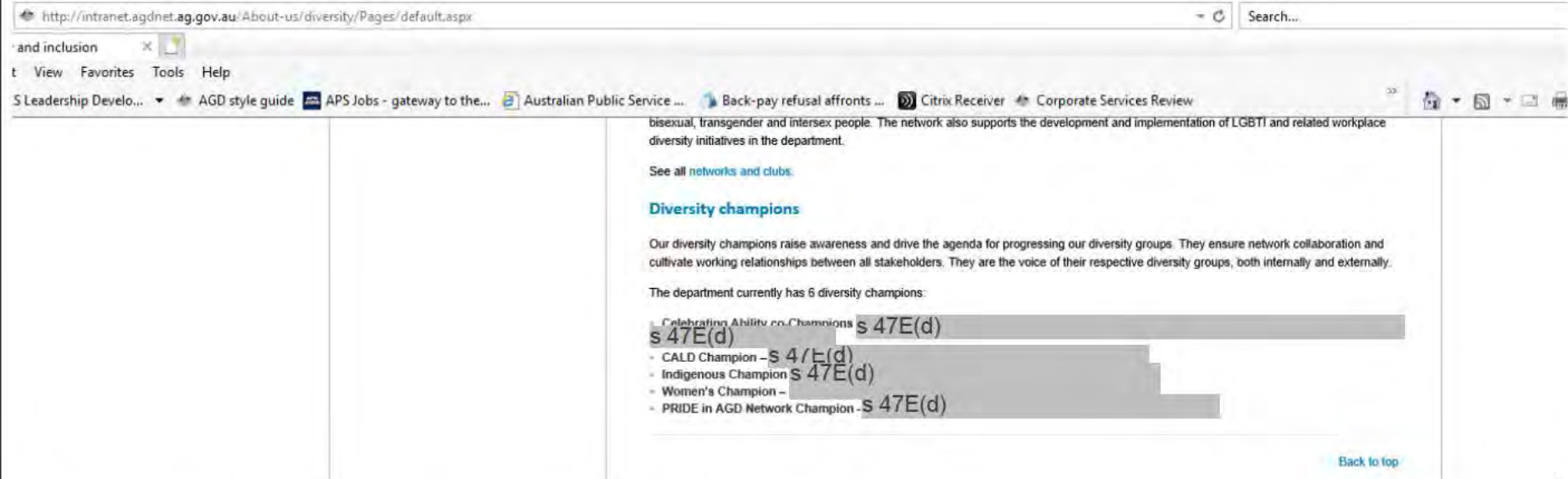
- partnering with the community and academia to develop cross-sector diversity initiatives
- encouraging a broader range of senior leaders to participate in culture-building activities, and
- contributing to APS-wide corporate diversity initiatives and external programs.

### 4. Visibility and awareness

We will demonstrate our support for a diverse and inclusive workplace, raise awareness of issues related to specific groups and highlight the value of diversity by:

- supporting and strengthening our employee diversity networks
- commemorating important diversity dates, and
- explicitly showcasing our people and the positive contribution they make.

Diversity Champions are senior executive officers responsible for driving action in response to the Diversity Strategy. Each champion is a member of the departments Diversity Council. See intranet snapshot below:



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <http://intranet.agdnet.ag.gov.au/About-us/diversity/Pages/default.aspx>. The page content includes:

- A header section: "bisexual, transgender and intersex people. The network also supports the development and implementation of LGBTI and related workplace diversity initiatives in the department."
- A link: "See all networks and clubs."
- A section titled "Diversity champions" with the text: "Our diversity champions raise awareness and drive the agenda for progressing our diversity groups. They ensure network collaboration and cultivate working relationships between all stakeholders. They are the voice of their respective diversity groups, both internally and externally."
- A sub-section: "The department currently has 6 diversity champions:"
- A list of champions, each followed by a redacted name:
  - Celebrating Ability co-Champions s 47E(d)
  - CALD Champion - s 47E(d)
  - Indigenous Champion s 47E(d)
  - Women's Champion - s 47E(d)
  - PRIDE in AGD Network Champion - s 47E(d)
- A "Back to top" link at the bottom right.

A copy of the Diversity Council's Terms of Reference is at **Attachment D**.

The department has a PRIDE Network (Promoting Respect, Inclusion, Diversity and Equality) which was established in 2015 to increase awareness and understanding of LGBTIQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer and related communities) issues, and support the development and implementation of LGBTIQ+ and related workplace diversity initiatives within the department.

PRIDE in AGD works to create an inclusive and friendly workplace through holding social and informative events, and providing advice to the wider department. A copy of the PRIDE in AGD Network's Terms of Reference is at **Attachment E**.

http://my.agdnet.ag.gov.au/Networks-and-clubs/Pages/pride-network.aspx

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- [Social Club Newsletter](#)
- [Women's Network](#)


**Contact details**

Email: [s 47E\(c\)](#)

**Downloads**

- [AGD – Transgender awareness poster \(CM\)](#)
- [Ashurst's LGBTI+ Inclusive Language Glossary \[PDF 7.48MB\]](#)
- [Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender \(CM\)](#)
- [Pride in Diversity](#)
- [Engaging Allies for Change \(CM\)](#)

## PRIDE Network



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### What is PRIDE in AGD?

PRIDE in AGD (Promoting Respect, Inclusion, Diversity and Equality) was established in 2015. It aims to create an inclusive and friendly workplace by increasing awareness and understanding of issues relating to the LGBTIQ+ community (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer, Asexual/Aromantic).

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### Champion and committee members

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The PRIDE in AGD Committee members for 2020-21 are:

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*PRIDE in AGD Network priorities for 2020 included:*

https://my.agdnet.ag.gov.au/Networks-and-Clubs/Pages/pride-network.aspx

PRIDE Network

Engaging Allies for Change (CM)  
 Managers guide to LGBTI inclusion (CM)  
 Managers quick guide to LGBTI inclusion (CM)  
 Managers guide to Intersex inclusion in the workplace (CM)  
 Sexual Orientation and Gender diversity in the workplace (CM)  
 Let's talk Gender Publication 2015 (CM)  
 The Australian National Recruitment Guide (CM)

**Related websites**  
 healthdirect - Mental health resources for LGBTI people  
 International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Intersexism and Transphobia  
 Pride in Diversity  
 Year 11 Purple Day

### How do I become a member?

The network is open to all employees, wherever they are located. This includes LGBTQIA+ employees, friends, allies and supporters. To join the mailing list, please email [s47E\(d\)](mailto:s47E(d)@ag.gov.au)

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### Objectives

The network's objectives are outlined in our [Terms of Reference](#). They are to:

- raise awareness and understanding of LGBTQIA+ issues in the department
- provide advice to the department on policy issues affecting LGBTQIA+ staff
- provide support to employees on LGBTQIA+ related workplace issues
- raise awareness and funds for causes that promote the interests of LGBTQIA+ communities locally, nationally or internationally
- create an inclusive and friendly workplace – including through social and informative events
- support the PRIDE Champion to play an active and visible role in supporting LGBTQIA+ employees and broader workplace diversity initiatives
- collaborate with other diversity networks to highlight a range of lived experiences, and have accessibility front of mind.

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### Priorities

The network's priorities for 2020-21 are to:

- increase our visibility of, and engagement with, all employees, wherever they are located
- strengthen our engagement with members, including those who are interstate and working remotely
- increase awareness of the experiences of our LGBTQIA+ colleagues, and encourage engagement with the initiatives of broader LGBTQIA+ communities
- continue to create an inclusive and friendly workplace – including through social and informative events and initiatives
- collaborate with and support other diversity networks to increase the intersectionality of events and initiatives
- collaborate with and support other APS Pride and LGBTQIA+ networks – including by participating in inter-departmental workshops and events.

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**3. LGBTQ Advisory Group** **INTERMEDIATE**  
Max. 4 points

We have *established and promoted* an internal LGBTQ advisory group which has:

- a) met specifically to identify areas requiring change or to work on projects requiring their expertise and guidance
- b) engaged with *the organisation* in efforts to implement change or complete allocated projects

**Note:** This group may be the leadership or a subset of your Employee Network, or a group within your organisation with distinct expertise in LGBTQ inclusion.

*For full points, please provide:*

- (a) evidence of how this group's expertise or counsel is promoted across the organisation*
- (b) evidence of any meetings or work undertaken by this group throughout the assessed year*

*Our Diversity Committee drives initiatives, identifies and negates barriers for all of our Diversity Networks (including PRIDE). It seeks endorsement and funding for the networks and new initiatives from our Diversity Council. The Diversity Committee is chaired by our Chief Operation Officer and members from each of the department's employee diversity networks.*

http://intranet.agdnet.ag.gov.au/About-us/Committees-and-councils/Pages/Diversity-Committee.aspx

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Performance and Wellbeing  
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## Diversity Committee

The Diversity Committee drives initiatives, identifies and negates barriers and seeks endorsement from the Diversity Council on new initiatives. The Diversity Committee is chaired by the Chief Operating Officer and attended by the employee network Chairs, the supports to the senior champions and the Human Resources Assistant Secretary

### Membership

Members of the Diversity Committee are:

Role	Name
Chair – AGD Chief Operating Officer	s 47E(d)
Secretary's Office	
Assistant Secretary, Human Resources	
Assistant Secretary, Integrity Law Branch	
Male Champion of Change Implementation Leader	
Indigenous Employee Network (IEN) Chair	
Celebrating Ability Network (CAN) Co-Chair	
Celebrating Ability Network (CAN) Co-Chair	
PRIDE in AGD Network Co-Chair	
PRIDE in AGD Network Co-Chair	
Women's Network Co-Chairs	
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) Network co-Chair	
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) Network co-Chair	



The terms of reference for our Diversity Committee is **Attachment F**, you will find it refers to the committee working to drive the initiatives of our Diversity Networks, this includes our PRIDE network.

A copy of the Action Item Register from the February 2020 meeting is at **Attachment G**.

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**INTERMEDIATE  
2 points**

**4. LGBTQ Inclusion Reporting**

**Within the assessed calendar year, we have published a report on our LGBTQ inclusion work. This may be within annual reports, CSR documentation or equivalent public facing documentation.**

**Note: This report may include work prior to the assessed year, however the report must be published within 2020.**

*Please provide evidence.*

The 2019-20 Attorney-General's Department Annual report can be found <https://www.ag.gov.au/about-us/publications/attorney-generals-department-annual-report-2019-20>.

Excerpts from the report re: LGBTIQ inclusion are found below:

https://www.ag.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-10/AGD\_Annual%20Report\_19\_20\_acc.pdf

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We offer leadership programs that build skills, knowledge and confidence in our leaders. The department's Capability Council is responsible for oversight of SES leadership development through the annual SES Career Conversations. This gives our senior leaders the opportunity for a tailored and specific discussion on their career and development with the department's associate. Our executive-level leadership programs, EL2 Connect and EL1 Elevate, support our middle managers to build and strengthen their management and leadership capability.

Our employees can access study assistance and scholarship programs to complete on-site studies and gain formal qualifications that benefit their work. Benefits include financial reimbursement and study leave.

**Recruitment and mobility**

In 2019, the department reviewed its recruitment processes and consulted with employees to identify issues with the current processes. Following the review, we redeveloped the recruitment strategy to improve the effectiveness of the process and increase the pool of applicants. In the opening months of 2020, we removed psychometric testing from most recruitment processes and introduced information sessions for prospective candidates. We continue to review the outcomes of each centralised recruitment process.

We consider mobility a key instrument to develop the capability of our people by building on their skills and broadening their experience. Mobility helps ensure that employees with the appropriate skills and experience are available to work on priority issues, both within the department and across the APS. An internal mobility round is an integral part of every centralised recruitment process. This round allows staff to express an interest in a change to their role (at level), without the need to go through a recruitment process. In addition, each week we notify employees of the current mobility opportunities available throughout the department, our portfolio agencies and across the APS.

In 2019, the department established a pilot program for a legal settlement to Waminda (the South Coast Women's Health and Wellbeing Aboriginal Corporation) for a period of six months. Based in Narrabri, New South Wales, Waminda is a culturally safe and holistic service, providing women and their Aboriginal families an opportunity to belong and receive quality health and well-being support. The settlement builds the legal capability of the organisation and provides valuable experience for departmental employees. The first settlement commenced on 2 March 2020.

**Performance management**

Our performance management framework is built on a 'no surprises' approach and is designed to facilitate effective performance conversations. These conversations help us meet the objectives set out in our corporate plan.

Our Program for Performance Improvement applies to all employees who are employed for three months or more. It includes check-ins at established intervals and an end-of-cycle review and performance rating. We also encourage regular, informal performance conversations.

Workshops for managers on managing underperformance are delivered regularly to assist with identifying and addressing underperformance matters.

Probation is applied as a condition of engagement for all new ongoing employees and, in certain circumstances, non-ongoing employees.

**Employment programs**

Our Graduate Development Program recruits and develops high-calibre graduates. We recruit graduates from diverse academic backgrounds to support the department's future workforce needs. The program's purpose is to attract, engage and develop a graduate cohort with a strong record of achievement and the capability to deliver high-quality policy, program and legal services. Through on-the-job experience and exposure to networks and expertise, graduates develop into practicing lawyers and policy, legal and program officers. The Graduate Development Program is supported by supervisors and mentors who play a vital role in coaching and developing graduates.

In January 2020, 50 graduates completed the 2019 Graduate Development Program. This included eight graduates who were transferred as part of machinery-of-government changes in July 2019. In February 2020, an expanded cohort of 46 graduates commenced the 2020 program. This consisted of 55 policy and program graduates and eight legal practice graduates. Our graduates have taken part in redeployment efforts across the department and the Australian Public Service in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As at the end of 2019, one participant successfully completed the 2018-19 Indigenous Australian Government Development Program. The 15-month program includes on-the-job learning, involvement in the Indigenous Employee Network and other department networks and education through a Diploma in Government qualifications. The department partners with the Department of Education, Skills and Employment to deliver this program.

A refreshed graduate recruitment campaign for our 2021 Graduate Program took place in the final quarter of the year. The department received a strong response across four streams of Policy and Program, Legal Practice, Economics and Industrial Relations Legal. Two affirmative measures processes were also run to support Indigenous graduates and graduates with disability to participate in the program.

For the last seven years, we have ranked in the top 75 graduate programs, as assessed by the Australian Association of Graduate Employers. We were also nominated for Best Law Graduate Employer as part of the 2020 Australian Financial Review and GradConnections's Top 100 Graduate Employers. Our program continues to perform well compared with other graduate programs in the public and private sectors.

We also engaged a small group of interns through our participation with the Australian Network of Disability Support (now Program and the Australian Public Service Commission's Indigenous Intern Program). Interns are placed within the organisation to build skills and gain exposure to the department and the Australian Public Service.

**Diverse workers**

The employee diversity, flexibility, inclusion and the unique skills and qualities of all employees. A workforce that is diverse in background, culture and gender is innovative, productive and delivers better organisational outcomes. We build on this through our membership of the Diversity Council of Australia, which we obtained in 2020.

Under the direction of our Diversity Council and Diversity Committee, our employee-led diversity networks support women and gender equity, disability and caring, LGBTIQ+ issues, Indigenous culture and representations, and cultural and linguistic diversity more broadly. These networks support and promote inclusion in the department through a variety of events, initiatives and advice on departmental policy.

Further information is available on the [department's website](#).

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**Diversity strategy**

Our Diversity Strategy has been operating since 2014 and we have achieved strong results in the APS employee census, particularly related to inclusive culture.

Building on this, we commissioned an external consultant to conduct an independent review and cultural audit of our Diversity Strategy in late 2019 to give a clear understanding of progress made under the current strategy and help identify opportunities for the future. The final report contained detailed observations and recommendations and was provided to the department's Diversity Council in October 2019. Based on the report's findings, we have developed a consultation process to inform the next diversity and inclusion strategy.

**Gender equality**

Our Gender Equality Action Plan is guided by the Balancing the Future. The Australian Public Services gender equality strategy 2016-19. The plan has two action areas to meet gender equality targets, including a target of 50:50 in the SES Band 2 level by 2021, in 2019-20, 35 per cent of the department's ongoing SES Band 2 employees were women.

A working group, sponsored by the AGD Women's Network, develops resources specific to gender equity and flexible work practices. This working group has identified areas of effort covering:

- paid and unpaid care
- practical advice to facilitate flexible work arrangements
- our culture in support of flexible work
- structural enablers supporting flexible work.

The Women's Network also holds events on days of significance such as the UN International Day of Elimination of Violence against Women to raise awareness in support of women and gender equity.

**Supporting Indigenous employees**

We consulted employees during 2019-20 to develop our own Reconciliation Action Plan and working group. In partnership with the Indigenous Employee Network, the group developed an ambitious and achievable plan to build awareness and understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' histories, cultures and achievements. The department provides employment opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples through initiatives like affirmative measures recruitment. The new Reconciliation Action Plan will be launched in July 2020 and implemented over the next 5 years.

The department's Indigenous Employee Network is a source of counsel on workplace issues affecting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employees. Network members also contribute to building awareness of Indigenous culture and achievements through celebrating and commemorating significant events such as NAIDOC Week, National Sorry Day and National Reconciliation Week.

Our SES-level champion represents the Indigenous Employee Network internally through her membership of the AGD Diversity Council and externally through the APS Indigenous Champions Network.

**Supporting employees with disability**

As at 30 June 2020, three per cent of the department's employees identified as a person with a disability.

The department is committed to breaking down barriers that might prevent our current and potential employees from fully participating in the workplace. We have continued to implement our Disability and Mental Health Action Plan during 2019-20, which is led by a steering committee. The committee strengthens inclusive workplace culture, particularly for people with disability or ill health and careers of people with disability. This year, a significant milestone was the introduction of two captioning for all staff events and open and/or closed captioning for events that are filmed. In addition, we piloted affirmative measures (Disability) recruitment as part of our 2021 graduate recruitment campaign to provide employment opportunities to people with disability. Our Celebrating Ability Network is a strong source of support to employees with disability and careers of people with disability.

The department is a gold member of the Australian Network on Disability and was the major sponsor for its 2020 National Virtual Conference. We have participated in the Access and Inclusion Index three times since 2017. Strong progress has been made, particularly in the areas of agency committees, communications and marketing and workplace adjustments.

Disability reporting is included in the Australian Public Services Commission's State of the Service reports and the APS Statistical Bulletin. These reports are available on their website ([www.apsc.gov.au](http://www.apsc.gov.au)).

**Multicultural access and equity**

Our Multicultural Access and Equity Plan is a commitment to multicultural access and inclusion in the way we work and in the outcomes we deliver. The plan fulfils our obligations under the Australian Government Multicultural Access and Equity Policy.

The department promotes cultural and linguistic diversity to build a strong and cohesive workforce. As such, staff in our Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Network actively promote awareness of multiculturalism by celebrating days of significance such as Lunar New Year and Harmony Day.

Further information is available on the department's website ([www.ag.gov.au](http://www.ag.gov.au)).

**Supporting LGBTIQ staff**

This year, we participated in the Australian Workplace Equality Index for the fourth consecutive year. The Index is Australia's definitive national benchmark on lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTIQ) workplace inclusion. The assessment is conducted by PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) and the department is a member. The index gauges the overall effectiveness of LGBTIQ inclusion and identifies opportunities to improve our culture of inclusion. In 2020, we achieved positive results in the areas of LGBTIQ employee networks and resource groups, visibility of inclusion and executive leadership and engagement.

We support LGBTIQ inclusion and awareness in the department through initiatives such as Inclusive Leadership and Ability training. The PRIDE AGD Network leads celebrations of significant days including International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Intersexism and Transphobia and Wear It Purple Day.

**Work health and safety**

We provide and maintain safe and healthy workplaces and meet our obligations under the Work Health and Safety Act 2011 (Cth) (WHS Act) and the Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988.

The department's National Health and Safety Committee met five times during 2019-20, and held an extraordinary meeting in April 2020 to consider implications of the COVID-19 pandemic as related to work health and safety.

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<b>5. Media Coverage</b>	<b>2 points</b>
<p><b>Our work in LGBTQ inclusion has been covered by an independent source (not internally written or published) within the assessed calendar year.</b></p> <p><b>Note: This has to cover your LGBTQ inclusion work in detail and cannot be a brief mention of your organisation, recognised employee/individual or an award won.</b></p> <p><i>Please provide evidence of how your LGBTQ inclusion work has been recognised by an independent source: screenshot, URL, image or insert attachment.</i></p> <p>Nil evidence to submit.</p>	

<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: STRATEGY &amp; ACCOUNTABILITY</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b>
<b>6. Strategic Work in Recruitment, Supplier Policy or Service Provision</b>	<b>Max. 3 points</b>
<p><b>We have completed, updated or are making progress towards work within <u>one</u> of the following areas over the assessed calendar year:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LGBTQ targeted recruitment (targeting LGBTQ job seekers)</li> <li>LGBTQ supplier policy / promotion / resourcing / procurement policy (either seeking LGBTQ suppliers; or having a policy requiring suppliers to reflect your values around LGBTQ inclusion or attend training)</li> <li>LGBTQ marketing campaigns or service provision brochures/collateral specifically targeting LGBTQ populations or answering questions specific to this population</li> </ul> <p><i>Please provide evidence for work within <u>one</u> of the requested areas within the assessed year.</i></p> <p><i>If you have completed work within more than one of the above areas within the assessed year or have already existing (and current work) within areas listed above, please add that to the ADDITIONAL WORK section at the end of this submission.</i></p> <p>Since 2019 we have included a statement in all job vacancies to specifically encourage and welcome applications from LGBTIQ+ candidates:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><b>‘The department is committed to having a flexible and inclusive workplace and recognises and values the diversity of the wider Australia community. We encourage and welcome applications from people with disability, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, LGBTIQ+ people, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and mature age people.’</b></p> <p>A copy of an advertised vacancy is found at Attachment H.</p>	

A snapshot from the department's internet Carer's page (<https://www.ag.gov.au/about-us/careers/our-culture>) is provided below demonstrating the department's commitment to providing opportunities for people from diverse backgrounds (including LGBTI).

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://www.ag.gov.au/about-us/careers/our-culture>. The page content includes a left-hand navigation menu with items like 'Who we are', 'Careers', 'Work with us', 'Our culture', 'What we expect', 'Current vacancies', 'Entry-level employment programs', 'Statutory appointments', 'Accountability and reporting', 'Connect with us', and 'Publications'. The main content area features a list of links: 'Disability and mental health', 'Reconciliation', 'APS employee census results', 'Related links', and 'Related websites'. Below these links, a paragraph states: 'We are committed to a culture that engages our people, celebrates diversity and embeds inclusive, accessible and flexible workplace practices.' The page then has three main sections: 'Workplace diversity', 'Our diversity strategy', and 'Diversity networks'. The 'Workplace diversity' section states: 'We embrace diversity and inclusion and value the contribution and experience of all our people. A diverse organisation, with people of different backgrounds, views and experiences is good for our staff, our organisational culture, and good for our business as we fulfil our mission of achieving a just and secure society.' The 'Our diversity strategy' section states: 'The Attorney-General's Department Diversity Strategy sets out our commitment to promoting a diverse and inclusive workplace where all staff—regardless of their background—can achieve their full potential. The strategy brings together a range of initiatives to support gender, disability, Indigenous affairs, sexual orientation, age and diversity of culture, as well as the broader APS equality, diversity and inclusion agenda.' The 'Diversity networks' section states: 'We support and promote inclusion through our established diversity networks:' followed by a bulleted list: 'Celebrating Ability Network', 'Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Network', 'Indigenous Employee Network', 'Women's Network', and 'Promoting Respect Inclusion Diversity and Equality (PRIDE) Network.' A final paragraph states: 'These networks are aligned with our diversity strategy. They organise events to raise diversity awareness, and provide advice to the department on diversity initiatives and departmental policy.'

7. Executive Leadership Representation	2 points
<p>We currently have <b>openly LGBTQ identifying people</b> within our internal Diversity Council and/or within our Executive Leadership Team.</p> <p><i>Please provide details of the <b>names and roles</b> of openly LGBTQ identifying people within either your Diversity Council or Executive Team</i></p> <p>s 47E(c), s 47F(1)</p>	

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8. LGBTQ Inclusion Promotion	Max. 4 points
<p>We can show evidence of promoting our commitment to LGBTQ inclusion in <u>up to two</u> of the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• pitching for business or contracts</li> <li>• engaging with potential clients/customers</li> <li>• applying for funding</li> <li>• engaging with strategic partners or key external stakeholders</li> </ul> <p><i>Please provide evidence for <u>up to two</u> of the areas covered. Note: Partial points will be given for less than two areas of work evidenced.</i></p> <p><i>If you have completed work within more than two of the above areas within the assessed year or have already existing (and current work) within areas listed above, please add that to the ADDITIONAL WORK section at the end of this submission.</i></p>	
<p>The PRIDE in AGD Network applies for funding annually to drive their priorities. <b>Attachment I</b> is the networks budget allocation for the <b>2019-20</b> financial year.</p>	



### SECTION 3: LGBTQ EMPLOYEE NETWORKS / RESOURCE GROUPS

Please note: Different terms are used for internal networks (including Ally/Champion Networks, Resource Groups, Employee Network Groups, Employee Action Groups, etc.). For the purpose of consistency within this submission, when referring to such networks or equivalent, the terminology used within this section will be *Employee Network*.

If you have an outstanding Network Leader who has performed above and beyond the expectations of their role and significantly impacted LGBTQ inclusion within your workplace, please consider nominating them for the [Network Leader of the Year Award](#). (This nomination is open to anyone who has a formal role within the employee network leadership group.)

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<p><b>Within the assessed calendar year, we have <i>either</i>:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) made progress towards the launch or establishment of an LGBTQ employee network</li> <li>b) an established LGBTQ employee network with a clearly documented charter/purpose or remit</li> </ul> <p><i>If you are in the process of creating a network, please evidence progress made within the assessed year.</i></p> <p><i>If you have an existing network, please provide a copy of the network's charter/purpose.</i></p> <p><b>We have an established LGBTIQ employee network with a clearly documented purpose, as seen in the attached PRIDE in AGD Terms and Reference (Attachment E) and annual end of year report (Attachment J).</b></p>	

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<p><b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: LGBTQ EMPLOYEE NETWORKS / RESOURCE GROUPS</b></p> <p><b>10. Network Leadership Structure</b></p>	<p><b>FOUNDATION</b> <b>Max. 3 points</b></p>
<p><b>Our employee network has a clearly articulated leadership structure with:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a) clear roles and/or responsibilities for those involved</b></li> <li><b>b) an HR or Diversity representative as part of the leadership structure</b></li> </ul> <p><i>For full points, please provide:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) a copy of your network leadership structure clearly articulating role accountabilities</i></li> <li><i>(b) evidence that you have HR or diversity representation within the leadership</i></li> </ul>	



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The PRIDE Committee may also invite or accept interim nominations where the number of Committee members is less than 12. Interim Members will hold their position for the remainder of the term of the Committee (up to 12 months), or until resignation, whichever is earlier.

**Office Bearers**

The Committee will consist of the following positions:

- **Chair (or Co-Chairs)**  
The Chair drives the business of the Committee, engages with executive members of the Department, attends and speaks at inter- or intra- departmental meetings or events, and leads engagement with key internal and external stakeholders.
- **Secretary**  
The Secretary organises Committee meetings and prepares meeting minutes.
- **Treasurer**  
The Treasurer oversees the budget of PRIDE in AGD including annual preparation of budget proposals if required.
- **Communications Officer**  
The Communications Officer manages and monitors the mailbox and the development of promotional materials for PRIDE in AGD and its events. As required, the Communications Officer will also be responsible for intranet items, websites, and/or newsletters.
- **Inter-Agency Liaison Officer**  
The Liaison officer maintains and creates connections with other LGBTIQ+ Networks, and takes a lead role in the organisation of inter-agency events.
- **Events Manager**  
The Events Manager will coordinate PRIDE in AGD's events, as agreed by the committee.
- **General committee members**

These members will hold these positions for the term of the Committee (1 year) or until resignation.

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HR representatives (specifically members of the Performance and Wellbeing section) do not sit on the committees of diversity networks (these committees are only comprised of members of the networks). Instead, the PRIDE in AGD network Chairs consult regularly with the Performance and Wellbeing Team in HR. This means that the views of HR are always considered in the decisions made by the network's leadership. Below is an example of a recurring meeting where diversity networks chairs consult with HR (more informal meetings occur on an ad hoc basis throughout the year).

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Occurs every 4 week(s) on Wednesday effective 1/07/2020 from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Organizer: Human Resources

Subject: Monthly Chairs Meeting [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Location: RGO-A3-022-Crackenback QR VMR

Start time: Wed 10/03/2021 2:00 PM All day event

End time: Wed 10/03/2021 3:00 PM

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Hi all,

Please reserve this time for our Monthly recurring catch up meeting.

Standing Agenda items can be added by agreement amongst chairs but currently includes:

- What events are coming in next 4 Weeks

On the day, please follow the following instructions to join the meeting:

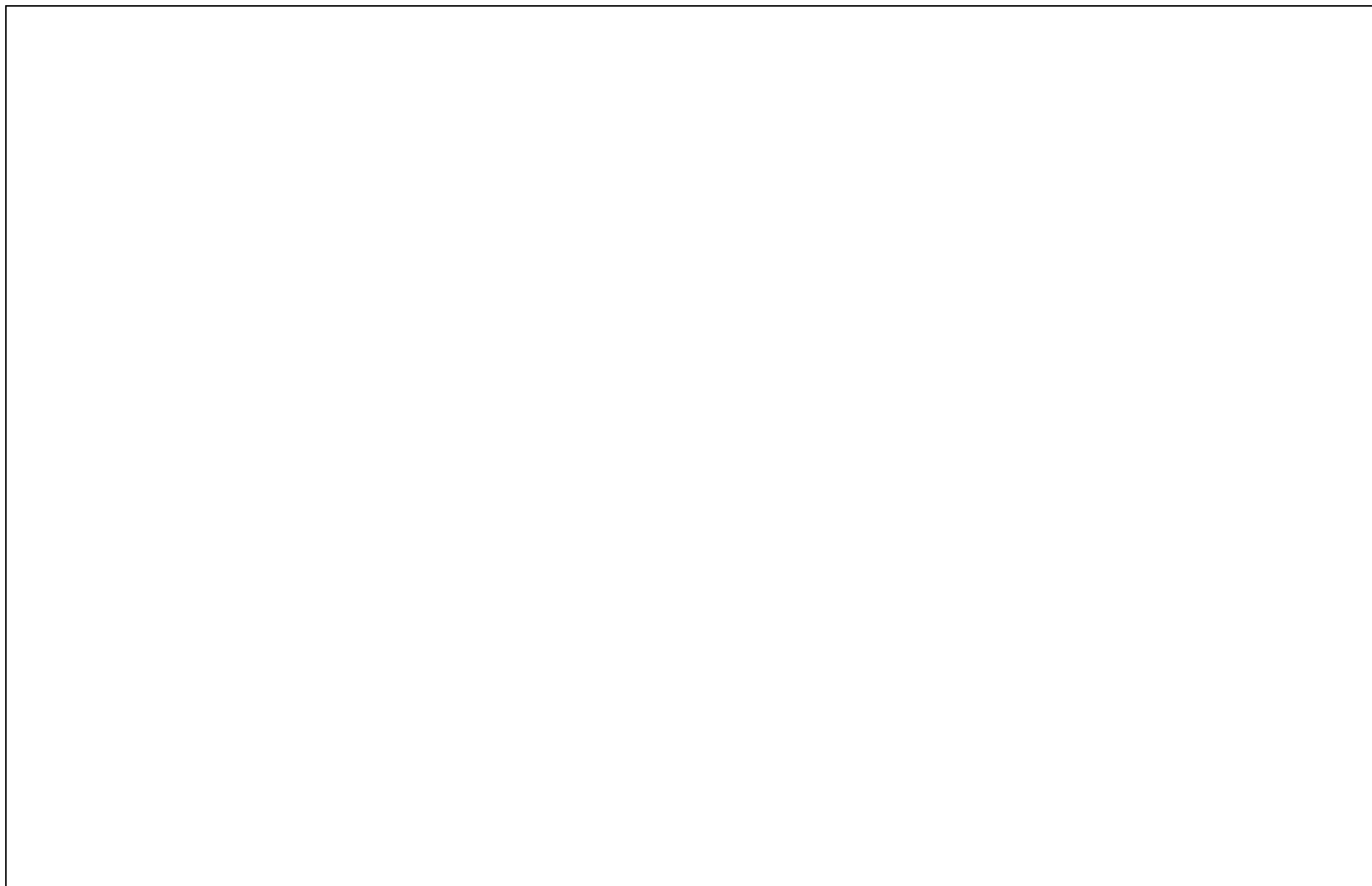
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<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: LGBTQ EMPLOYEE NETWORKS / RESOURCE GROUPS</b> <b>11. Network Strategy / Work Plan</b>	<b>FOUNDATION</b> <b>Max. 3 points</b>
<p><b>Our network has in place its <u>own strategy</u> (or a work plan contributing to the organisation's LGBTQ inclusion strategy) and has reported progress against clearly defined action plans, timelines and/or deliverables within the assessed year.</b></p> <p><i>For full points, please provide all of the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) a copy of your <b>network</b> strategy or component of the strategy that the network has been working on within the assessed year</i></li> <li><i>(b) a copy of action plans and timelines utilised</i></li> <li><i>(c) a copy of the latest progress report</i></li> </ul> <p>For evidence of the three above points, please see <b>Attachment J - PRIDE in AGD Committee 2020: End of Year Report</b></p> <p>The new format of the action plan was introduced in 2019 to provide a more complete picture of the network's initiatives and how they are progressing. The plan draws from the department's diversity strategy. The progress report covers the network's priorities for 2019-20, the actions and deliverables outlined in the initial plan, who was allocated responsibility for each action, and relevant timelines.</p>	
<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: LGBTQ EMPLOYEE NETWORKS / RESOURCE GROUPS</b> <b>12. Orientation / On-boarding</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE</b> <b>Max. 2 points</b>
<p><b>Our network is actively involved in orientation, on-boarding or the welcoming of new hires within the organisation. If orientation is strictly online, our network has sought means to introduce new hires to the network and welcome them to the organisation.</b></p> <p><i>For full points, please provide:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) evidence of when this last occurred</i></li> <li><i>(b) the degree of network involvement/participation</i></li> </ul> <p>PRIDE in AGD was actively involved in orientation and welcoming of new hires within the organisation. A representative from the network attended the 2020 Graduate Program orientation session to explain the role of the network and sign up new members. Evidence provided at <b>Attachment K</b>.</p>	
<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: LGBTQ EMPLOYEE NETWORKS / RESOURCE GROUPS</b> <b>13. Strategy and Goals</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE</b> <b>2 points</b>

**Our network leads have objectives that are assessed annually within performance discussions, relating specifically to performance within that role (as opposed to generic cultural, diversity or value statements).**

*Please provide evidence of specific KPI's in relation to a network lead role being incorporated within formal performance/assessment discussions.*

All members of the department are asked to make a performance indicator based on their commitment to wellbeing, flexibility and inclusion in their annual performance cycle. Evidence of reference to network objectives in the performance agreement of the Co-chair of the PRIDE in AGD Network is at **Attachment L.**

<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: LGBTQ EMPLOYEE NETWORKS / RESOURCE GROUPS</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE</b>
<b>14. Sustainability Plan</b>	<b>Max. 2 points</b>
<p><b>Our network has a documented sustainability plan (over and above a leadership structure and/or a succession plan) that will help ensure the longevity and continuity of the network.</b></p> <p><i>Please provide:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) an outline of what considerations were considered in the development of the plan</i></li> <li><i>(b) a copy of the plan</i></li> </ul> <p>Below is an excerpt from the PRIDE in AGD Terms of Reference (<b>Attachment E</b>), which were updated and agreed to include 'succession' guidelines on 13 December 2019.</p>	

## Succession

In the event a Committee member is unable to continue their duties before the conclusion of the 1 year term of the Committee, or resigns, the Committee will circulate the open position to the PRIDE in AGD Network for nominations. General committee members are eligible to nominate for the open position.

The Committee will vote on nominations received for the vacated position, and the majority vote will determine the new Officer position.

If no nominations are received, the Committee will share the responsibilities previously held by the member until such time that the position can be filled.

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#### 15. Allies of Trans and Gender Diverse People

The network has undertaken one of the following within the assessed year:

- a) actively distributed, promoted or developed information on how to be an ally to trans and gender diverse employees
- b) worked with trans and gender diverse employees or community members to develop targeted inclusion initiatives profiling trans and gender diverse speakers or role models

**Note: This is over and above speaking events or LGBTQ calendar Days of Significance.**

Points will be given for one of the above.

- (a) If you have selected (a), please provide a copy of the information provided
- (b) If you have selected (b), please provide details and evidence of this work

If you have undertaken work for both, please include the second piece of work under ADDITIONAL WORK at the end of this submission. Please do not duplicate any evidence already submitted for events around LGBTQ Days of Significance. Points will not be allocated twice for the same event.

The PRIDE in AGD Network were active during 2020 promoting information and training opportunities for employees to allies for trans and gender diverse employees. This included the committee engaging Pride in Practice and A Gender Agenda to conduct training on how to be an inclusive leader and effective ally, and how to support trans and gender diverse staff at work. A comprehensive summary is included in the networks end of year update (Attachment J).

In 2021, the network is committed to launching Gender Affirmation Policy. Below excerpt from 2020 end of year update:

*Areas of future focus*

There are a number of exciting advocacy and policy initiatives that the Committee is planning progress in 2021. For example, the Gender Affirmation Policy Subcommittee will consult wide within the department and with external stakeholders to develop a tailored policy for the department, which the Subcommittee hopes to launch during Transgender Awareness Week.

The department also has a number of resources available to staff on the intranet – see screenshot below:

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## How do I become a member?

The network is open to all employees, wherever they are located. This includes LGBTIQ+ employees, friends, allies and supporters. To join the mailing list, please email s 47E(c)

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## Objectives

The network's objectives are outlined in our [Terms of Reference](#). They are to:

- raise awareness and understanding of LGBTIQ+ issues in the department
- provide advice to the department on policy issues affecting LGBTIQ+ staff
- provide support to employees on LGBTIQ+ related workplace issues
- raise awareness and funds for causes that promote the interests of LGBTIQ+ communities locally, nationally or internationally
- create an inclusive and friendly workplace - including through social and informative events
- support the PRIDE Champion to play an active and visible role in supporting LGBTIQ+ employees and broader workplace diversity initiatives
- collaborate with other diversity networks to highlight a range of lived experiences, and have accessibility front of mind.

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<b>16. Visibility of LGBTQ Women</b>	<b>Max. 3 points</b>
<p><b>Throughout the assessed year, our network has <u>either</u>:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a) developed and made progress against an active strategy with targets in place to increase the visibility of LGBTQ women; or</b></li> <li><b>b) undertaken and documented significant activity throughout the year to increase visibility of LGBTQ women and <b>out</b> role models</b></li> </ul> <p><i>Points will be given for <u>one</u> of the above.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) If you have selected (a), please enclose a copy of any plan developed along with a report of progress made</i></li> <li><i>(b) If you have selected (b), please provide an outline of all activity taken to specifically increase the visibility and participation of LGBTQ women</i></li> </ul> <p><i>If you have undertaken work for both, please include the second piece of work under ADDITIONAL WORK at the end of this submission.</i></p> <p style="background-color: yellow; padding: 2px;"><i>Come back with evidence</i></p>	

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<b>17. LGBTQ Intersectionality</b>	<b>3 points</b>
<p><b>Throughout the assessed calendar year, the network has provided opportunities for LGBTQ people of diverse groups to raise their visibility and/or to share their stories across the organisation:</b></p>	

**Please provide evidence for one of the following:**

- **LGBTQ and Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander or Indigenous**
- **LGBTQ and a person of faith**
- **LGBTQ and of another diverse group (i.e. CALD, of mature age, living with disability, etc.)**

*Please provide evidence for one of the selected groups above.*

*If you have undertaken above-and-beyond work for more than one of the groups mentioned above, please include evidence of work in the **ADDITIONAL WORK** section at the end of this submission.*


The PRIDE in AGD Network has provided opportunities for LGBTQI people from diverse groups to be visible and share their stories. The following excerpts have been taken from the network's end of year update (**Attachment J**). Examples include:

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## What did the Network achieve in 2020?

*January 2020*

- Email to the Network regarding increasing visibility in offices outside of Canberra
- Stall at the 2020 Graduate Program orientation

*February 2020*

- Email to the Network seeking expressions of interest to join the Committee
- Event for all staff: Collaboration with Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Network, panel discussing Netflix comedy series Kim's Convenience
- Supported PRIDE training for SES
- Purchased PRIDE lanyards to increase visibility across the department
- Email from PRIDE Champion § 47F(1), § 47E(c) to all staff encouraging participation in Australian Workplace Equality Index survey, noting responses are confidential






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*September 2020*

- Email to the Network calling for volunteers for a panel marking Mental Health Week 2020
- Email to the Network providing tailored mental health resources for R U OK? Day
- PRIDE in AGD (and at Home) Newsletter sent to the Network, recognising key events and sharing resources and stories
- Called for expressions of interest for the Gender Affirmation Policy Subcommittee
- Email to the Network seeking input into the department's review of flexible work options
- Expressions of interest sought from the Committee for 'Our Leaders Have Many Faces' project
- Co-chairs provided input into department's working arrangements internal audit

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*October 2020*

- Formed a Gender Affirmation Policy Subcommittee, including representatives from PRIDE in AGD and the Women's Network
- Email to the Network seeking input into a survey on the recruitment and retention of LGBTQIA+ people across the APS
- PRIDE in AGD (and at Home) Newsletter sent to the Network, recognising key events and sharing resources and stories
- Provided input into APS Pride Networks contact list
- Co-chairs provided input into mental health capability project
- Provided input into paper for the Diversity Council on the Our Leaders Have Many Faces project

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*November 2020*

- 2020-21 PRIDE in AGD Action Plan approved
- Email to all staff marking World AIDS Day (also disseminated merchandise purchased from Meridian to the department)
- Engaged A Gender Agenda to provide training to the department on Supporting Trans and Gender Diverse People at Work
  - Intranet news story advertising the training to all staff
- Committee members attended Pride in Practice Conference and shared lessons learned with the Committee
  - Offered opportunity to share attendance to Performance and Wellbeing team
- Discussion with representatives of Australian Signals Directorate on PRIDE and gender affirmation matters
- Provided verbal input into graduate major project related to an employment value proposition
- Met with departmental representative of Male Champions of Change initiative to discuss opportunities for collaboration and support

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**Attachment T** – For all of us, about all of us: featuring s 22(1)

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**18. Intersex Allies**

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**Max. 4 points**

**As Intersex Allies:**

- a) The network has completed one of the following within the assessed calendar year:**
- communicated what the organisation has been or is currently doing to be more inclusive of Intersex people while acknowledging that Intersex status is about variations of sex characteristics, not gender identity or sexual orientation
  - held organisation-wide educational events where Intersex people have spoken
  - distributed current and accurate information on Intersex inclusion or awareness raising across the organisation
  - shared articles, books, movies, documentaries, presentations about Intersex from intersex perspectives
  - sought and gained permission from intersex organisations such as IHRA to share relevant content on social media or LGBTQ network / diversity page
  - developed a network initiative or working group with Intersex representation to help determine how the organisation or network can be more inclusive of Intersex people (over and above including Intersex awareness within LGBTQ inclusivity training).
- b) Our organisation has signed up to The Darlington Statement**

*Please provide:*

- a) evidence for one of the selected actions above*
- b) evidence of your organisation signing up to The Darlington Statement*

*If you have undertaken above-and-beyond work for more than one action in part a) mentioned above, please include evidence of work in the ADDITIONAL WORK section at the end of this submission.*

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The network is open to all employees, wherever they are located. This includes LGBTIQ+ employees, friends, allies and supporters. To join the mailing list, please email s 47E(c)

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**Objectives**

The network's objectives are outlined in our [Terms of Reference](#). They are to:

**Attachment O - International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Intersexism and Transphobia**

**Attachment P - PRIDE: International Non-Binary People's Day**

**ANNUAL SUBMISSION: LGBTQ EMPLOYEE NETWORKS / RESOURCE GROUPS**

**ADVANCED  
Max. 3 points**

**19. Broader Inclusion**

Within the assessed calendar year, the network has *planned, targeted and tracked both activity and progress* within one of the following areas:

- a) work to extend and increase network engagement and inclusion within regional offices
- b) increasing LGBTQ presence or leadership within other internal diversity networks or working groups (i.e. women, parents, cross-cultural)

*Points will be allocated for one of the above. If you have completed work in more than one of the above stated areas, please include evidence of work in the ADDITIONAL WORK section at the end of this submission.*

*(a) If you have selected (a), please provide a list of activities/work conducted/completed to increase inclusion within regional offices and progress to date*

*(b) If you have selected (b), please provide evidence of activity or LGBTQ representation across other diversity networks*

A comprehensive summary of the network's activities is found in its end of year summary at **Attachment J**.

PRIDE: Are you located outside of Canberra? We want to hear from you [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED] - Message (HTML)

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PRIDE in AGD (Pride Network)

PRIDE: Are you located outside of Canberra? We want to hear from you [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

To: PRIDE in AGD (Pride Network)

Dear PRIDE in AGD members,

Welcome to 2020! After a huge finish to last year, PRIDE in AGD are back, refreshed and excited for the year ahead.

One of our big goals for this year is to **increase the visibility of PRIDE in AGD within our offices outside of Canberra.**

2019 saw several PRIDE initiatives in offices outside of Canberra, such as the AGS Sydney Office holding a 'Wear it Purple Day Event' and the Adelaide Royal Commission merchandise drive. Those involved in the Wear it Purple Day event said they appreciated the visible display of support for LGBTIQ+ people. One staff member noted "I already knew AGD was an inclusive workplace, but the sea of purple reinforced to me our welcoming and positive culture." These efforts were all great successes and demonstrate how worthwhile it is to hold events in and include all of our offices.

It is important to ensure our interstate offices and colleagues feel included and engaged with diversity network initiatives. We want to support an open and inclusive workplace where everyone feels like they can bring their whole selves to work, no matter where they are located in Australia.

**If you are a PRIDE in AGD member located outside of Canberra, we would love to hear from you.**

We are seeking your feedback on how we can have greater visibility and engagement in interstate offices. Email **s 47E(c)** and let us know. We also welcome feedback and suggestions from PRIDE in AGD members in Canberra.

**PRIDE in AGD Network Committee**  
 Attorney-General's Department  
**s 47E(c)**



**Attachment U – PRIDE: Join us on the Pride in AGD Committee!**

**ANNUAL SUBMISSION: LGBTQ EMPLOYEE NETWORKS / RESOURCE GROUPS**

**20. Network Reporting**

**ADVANCED**  
**Max. 4 points**

**Within the assessed calendar year, we produced:**

- a) a network specific report on progress against network targets, in addition to
- b) one of the following areas of performance:
  - additional advice provided to the organisation throughout the year
  - areas of significant contribution
  - areas of future focus
  - annual progress tracking against the AWEI

*Please provide evidence for both (a) and (b). If you have undertaken above-and-beyond work for more than one of the areas mentioned above, please include evidence of work in the ADDITIONAL WORK section at the end of this submission.*

A comprehensive summary of the networks progress is found in the end of year update at **Attachment J**.

## SECTION 4: VISIBILITY OF INCLUSION

<p><b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 VISIBILITY OF INCLUSION</b>  <b>21. Days of Significance</b></p>	<p><b>FOUNDATION</b>  <b>Max. 2 points</b></p>
<p>Within the assessed calendar year, we have celebrated and promoted LGBTQ Days of Significance across the organisation while <i>providing and/or educating employees with an understanding of why these dates are important.</i></p> <p>For full points, please provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) a list of LGBTQ Days of Significance celebrated throughout the assessed year</li> <li>b) a brief description of each event, <i>detailing how you promoted an understanding of why the day is significant</i></li> </ul>	
<p><b>Attachment M</b> – PRIDE: International Transgender Day of Visibility (invitation)</p> <p><b>Attachment N</b> - Register now: Supporting Trans and Gender Diverse People at Work – Two Hour Virtual Workshop (invitation)</p> <p><b>Attachment O</b> – PRIDE in AGD presents IDAHOBIT with Jordan Raskopoulos</p> <p><b>Attachment P</b> – PRIDE: International Non-Binary People’s Day</p> <p><b>Attachment Q</b> – Upcoming PRIDE training courses – enrol now for sessions on Thursday 27 August</p> <p><b>Attachment R</b> – PRIDE: R U OK? Day</p> <p><b>Attachment S</b> – World Aids Day</p>	
<p><b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 VISIBILITY OF INCLUSION</b>  <b>22. Visibility in the Workplace</b></p>	<p><b>FOUNDATION</b>  <b>Max. 3 points</b></p>

**We actively encourage and provide a means by which employees can indicate their commitment to LGBTQ workplace inclusion through the use of: ALLY email signatures, lanyards, personal pronouns, **virtual backgrounds**, etc.**

*Please provide:*

- a) a list of options available to employees through which they can visually indicate that they are an ally or supporter of LGBTQ inclusion*
- b) a couple of photos showing active support and visibility of these options within/around/throughout the workplace (please limit photos to a couple of photos – not required for each available option)*

- Magnets
- Postcards
- Pens
- Mousepads
- Ally Posters (A7 size)
- Staff are able to use PRIDE Network Logo in Email Signature.
- Staff are able to use their personal pronouns in their signature block.

**Attachment V** – PRIDE merchandise

**Attachment W** – Visible PRIDE Ally





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s 22(1)

FW: FOR APPROVAL: Proposed approach for the review and endorsement of Diversity Network 2019-20 budget actuals and 2020-21 budget proposals [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

To: s 22(1)

Cc: s 22(1)


This message was sent with High importance.

Warm regards.

s 22(1)

Assistant Director | Performance & Wellbeing | Human Resources  
Attorney-General's Department, 3-5 National Circuit, Barton, ACT 2600

s 47E(d)



From: s 22(1)

Sent: Wednesday, 2 September 2020 10:00 AM

To: s 22(1)

Cc: s 22(1)

s 22(1)

Subject: RE: FOR APPROVAL: Proposed approach for the review and endorsement of Diversity Network 2019-20 budget actuals and 2020-21 budget proposals [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi s 22(1)

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s 22(1) Thu 11/03/2021 2:37 PM  
s 22(1)

**RE: Network input to AWEI submission [SEC=OFFICIAL]**

To: s 22(1)

**i** You replied to this message on 12/03/2021 11:06 AM.


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Cheers,

s 22(1)

**Co-Chair | PRIDE in AGD Committee**  
Attorney-General's Department

3-5 National Circuit | Barton ACT 2600  
T: s 22(1)  
E: s 22(1)



From: s 22(1)  
Sent: Thursday, 11 March 2021 1:54 PM  
To: s 22(1)  
Cc: s 22(1)  
Subject: RE: Network input to AWEI submission [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Hi s 22(1)

Thanks for your time on the phone earlier.

ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 VISIBILITY OF INCLUSION 23. Ally / Champion Reference Guides	INTERMEDIATE Max. 3 points
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**We provide Ally/LGBTQ Champion Reference Guides or materials on how to be an effective ally and/or an active champion for LGBTQ inclusion within the workplace.**

*Please provide*

- (a) copy of this guide or an outline of the content covered within the guide
- (b) information regarding how it is distributed or where this guide can be found

Located on our PRIDE in AGD intranet page we have LGBTIQ+ resources and within that area we have the **Engaging Allies for Change**, a 2012 PiD document.

## LGBTIQ+ resources

- Pride in Diversity
  - [Engaging Allies for Change \(CM\)](#)
  - [Managers guide to LGBTI inclusion \(CM\)](#)
  - [Managers quick guide to LGBTI inclusion \(CM\)](#)
  - [Managers guide to Intersex inclusion in the workplace \(CM\)](#)
  - [Sexual Orientation and Gender diversity in the workplace \(CM\)](#)
  - [Let's talk Gender Publication 2015 \(CM\)](#)
  - [The Australian National Recruitment Guide \(CM\)](#)
- Australian Government Guidelines on the [Recognition of Sex and Gender \(CM\)](#)

ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 VISIBILITY OF INCLUSION 24. Individual LGBTQ Inclusion Work <b>Recognition</b>	INTERMEDIATE 2 points
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**Leadership has formally recognised and communicated the work of employee/s across the organisation, regarding their *internal* contribution in LGBTQ inclusion within the workplace.**

**Note: This excludes PiD communications around AWEI Awards – but can include your leadership’s formal *internal* recognition of the contribution made by employees.**



*Please provide evidence.*

Nil evidence provided.

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**INTERMEDIATE  
2 points**

**25. Confidential Contacts**

**We have an LGBTQ intranet page that clearly identifies LGBTQ people or allies who can be contacted for a confidential and informal discussion regarding being an LGBTQ employee within the organisation. This is over and above any HR or grievance contacts and confidentiality must be assured.**

*Please provide a screenshot of where this information is provided. If the contact is not clearly communicated as CONFIDENTIAL, full points will not be awarded.*

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**PRIDE Network**

Social Club Newsletter

Women's Network

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Contact details

Email: s 47E(c)

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Downloads

AGD – Transgender awareness poster (CM)

Ashford's LGBTI+ Inclusive Language Glossary (PDF: 7.48MB)

Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender (CM)

Pride in University

Engaging Allies for Change (CM)

Managers guide to LGBTI inclusion (CM)

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Managers guide to Intersex inclusion in the workplace (CM)

Sexual Orientation and Gender diversity in the workplace (CM)

Let's talk Gender Publication 2015 (CM)

The Australian National Recruitment Guide (CM)

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Related websites

healthdirect – Mental health resources for LGBTI people

International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Intersexism and Transphobia

Pride in Diversity

Wear It Purple Day

## What is PRIDE in AGD?

PRIDE in AGD (Promoting Respect, Inclusion, Diversity and Equality) was established in 2015. It aims to create an inclusive and friendly workplace by increasing awareness and understanding of issues relating to the LGBTIQA+ community (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer, Asexual/Aromantic).

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## Champion and committee members

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The PRIDE in AGD Committee members for 2020-21 are:

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## How do I become a member?

The network is open to all employees, wherever they are located. This includes LGBTIQA+ employees, friends, allies and supporters. To join the mailing list, please email s 47E(c).

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## Objectives

The network's objectives are outlined in our [Terms of Reference](#). They are to:

- raise awareness and understanding of LGBTIQA+ issues in the department
- provide advice to the department on policy issues affecting LGBTIQA+ staff
- provide support to employees on LGBTIQA+ related workplace issues
- raise awareness and funds for causes that promote the interests of LGBTIQA+ communities locally, nationally or internationally
- create an inclusive and friendly workplace – including through social and informative events
- support the PRIDE Champion to play an active and visible role in supporting LGBTIQA+ employees and broader workplace diversity initiatives
- collaborate with other diversity networks to highlight a range of lived experiences, and have accessibility front of mind.

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## Priorities

The network's priorities for 2020-21 are to:

- increase our visibility of, and engagement with, all employees, wherever they are located
- strengthen our engagement with members, including those who are interstate and working remotely
- increase awareness of the experiences of our LGBTIQA+ colleagues, and encourage engagement with the initiatives of broader LGBTIQA+

On the PRIDE intranet page, you can find a list of members who are open to being contacts for confidential conversations, if you select the member's name it will take you to their personal email address and office contact number.

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*Harassment Contact Officers*

<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 VISIBILITY OF INCLUSION</b> <b>26. Communication of LGBTQ Support Information</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE</b> <b>Max. 2 points</b>
<p><b>As the initial source of information for LGBTQ employees, our LGBTQ intranet page <u>clearly articulates:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a) the process for formally reporting workplace LGBTQ bullying/harassment</b></li> <li><b>b) available LGBTQ friendly support (should this occur)</b></li> </ul> <p><i>For full points, please:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) provide a screenshot of where this information is communicated on the network or LGBTQ diversity page.</i></li> <li><i>(b) clearly show LGBTQ friendly support avenues</i></li> </ul>	

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**Bullying, harassment and discrimination**

Contact details  
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**Related links**

- Harassment contact officers
- Employee assistance and support services
- Employee Relations Advices

## Bullying, harassment and discrimination

The department is committed to providing a workplace where workers treat each other with respect and courtesy. All reasonable steps will be taken, in a sensitive and effective manner, to prevent or eliminate any incidents of unlawful discrimination, harassment and bullying.

### A zero tolerance workplace

The intended outcome of the department's zero tolerance of unlawful discrimination, harassment or bullying is a workplace free from such behavior and actions. Workers are expected to report any apparent incidents of unlawful discrimination, harassment or bullying, regardless of whether the conduct is by another worker or by a person outside AGD.

### Employee Relations Advice (ERA)

The [Workplace discrimination, harassment and bullying ERA \(CM\)](#) outlines worker obligations and what constitutes unlawful discrimination, harassment and bullying. It also details procedures the department employs to deal with relevant complaints and processes available for seeking assistance.

### Harassment contact officers

The department has a network of trained harassment contact officers who are able to provide information, support and assistance to staff in relation to instances of perceived unlawful discrimination, harassment or bullying. Staff may also seek support or assistance through the department's [Employee Assistance Program \(EAP\)](#).

- Harassment contact officer list (CM)

### Useful tools

**Australian Public Service Commission**

- APS Values, Employment Principles and Code of Conduct
- Respect summary guide
- Working Together: promoting mental health and wellbeing at work

**Comcare Guides**

- Bullying in the workplace
- Comcare Pocket Guide—responding to workplace bullying
- Managing difficult conversations and providing feedback

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commonly drag to an organisation. The course covers a range of themes, including the impact of language, coming out, aimes, everyday conversations, and transgender.

A range of resources is also available on the left hand side of this page.

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## Support services

### Converge International – specialist LGBTIQ helpline

Confidential support is available 24/7, to you and your immediate family members, through the department's [Employee Assistance Program \(EAP\)](#). Converge International provides the department's EAP services and has a [specialist LGBTIQ Helpline \(PDF 525KB\)](#) – you can speak with a specialist counsellor and access support across issues specific to LGBTIQ+ people and related communities. You can also discuss referral to specialised services and access to general information and resources.

### Equal Ground

[Equal Ground](#) is a new free mental health service run for members of the LGBTIQ+ community in the ACT. The program is staffed by social, emotional wellbeing workers and a psychologist who are also members of the community. They support clients with a variety of concerns, whether it's work or study, gender and sexuality, and also general mental wellbeing, and they accept self-referrals.

### Meridian (Formerly AIDS Action Council)

[Meridian ACT](#) (formerly the AIDS Action Council) provides face-to-face counselling and access to social groups in the ACT for people of diverse sexuality and gender. Their Counselling Team ([Westlund Counselling](#)) specialises in providing LGBTIQ+ competent support to Canberrans, with a strong knowledge base of professional qualifications and lived experience. Westlund Counselling welcomes members of the community over the age of 16, regardless of gender, sexual orientation, cultural background, religious belief or economic circumstances.

### QLife

[QLife](#) provides anonymous and free LGBTIQ+ peer support and referrals for people in Australia wanting to talk about sexuality, identity, gender, bodies, feelings or relationships. The QLife family includes hundreds of highly experienced LGBTIQ+ staff and volunteers. If you are looking to connect with someone to explore what's going on in your life, they are there to take your call or webchat.

### Other mental health resources

There are many other people and organisations that can provide you with advice and support. HealthDirect has compiled a [list of organisations](#), many of which have specific support for people who are LGBTIQ+.

### PRIDE-trained Harassment Officers

The following departmental Harassment Officers have undertaken PRIDE in AGD training:

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<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 VISIBILITY OF INCLUSION</b> <b>27. LGBTQ Social Media Streams</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b> <b>2 points</b>
<b>We have internal LGBTQ social media streams or any other means by which we can engage staff in conversations and post items of interest in regard to our inclusion work (may include but is not limited to Yammer, Twitter, Facebook, SharePoint).</b>  <i>Please provide screenshot evidence of such posts and/or conversations on your social media streams.</i>	
<b>Attachment T – Your News Intranet Story – For all of us, about all of us featuring s 22(1) . Screenshot below.</b>	



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- provides advice on matters relating to the APS Code of Conduct, disputes and complaints, review of actions and bullying and harassment
- drives the implementation of the department's Diversity Strategy and collaborates with and supports the 5 employee-led diversity networks and diversity champions
- provides advice and strategies to assist employees and managers in meeting performance expectations. The section also has responsibility for the PPI (Program for performance Improvement – in case you were wondering!) policy and framework.

For all of us, about all of us is a feature series of Our news.

It aims to empower staff to share their lived experience, while shedding light on the diversity that exists in the department. Sharing stories is a powerful way to help improve inclusion, and create a workplace where everyone can feel comfortable bringing their full selves to work.

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### Do you have a story you'd like to share?

This feature series is open to all staff to contribute a personal experience of diversity and inclusion – because we all share the need for acceptance and belonging.

We aim to share one story per month – so please reach out to PRIDE s 47E(c) or CAN s 47E(c) who are kindly coordinating this initiative on behalf of the department.

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### Comments

Have your say

**s 22(1)** Hey S [redacted] It is a real inspiration reading from your perspective. It is bliss that we work in an open and diverse culture. Thanks for sharing.

Thanks for sharing S [redacted] great to hear from one of our leaders so openly!

Thanks for sharing S [redacted] Such a great insight to you and your lived experiences.

## SECTION 5: TRAINING, AWARENESS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Please do not include compliance training covering anti-discrimination policies or training within events. Both of these are covered elsewhere.

ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 TRAINING, AWARENESS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

28. Face-to-Face Training

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**We have made face-to-face LGBTQ Awareness / Inclusion / Ally Training available to all employees within the assessed calendar year. This would include any interactive training conducted via internet technologies (i.e. WebEx, Zoom, Teams, etc).**

Name of Trainer or Provider:	<b>Yes – to be provided after submission as I need to get training specifics from our L&amp;D team. We hope you will still consider this evidence.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Our trainer is accredited by or from Pride in Diversity
Length of training:	[Evidence Here]	
Date/s:	[Evidence Here]	
Number of attendees approx that will have gone through this training:	[Evidence Here]	
Evidence of training undertaken (one piece required):	Screenshot of the invitation sent or where training has been communicated. [Evidence Here]	
Copy of presentation or outline of training covered:	[Evidence Here] (Not required if Pride in Diversity or Pride in Health + Wellbeing delivered)	

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**FOUNDATION  
2 points**

**29. Online Training**

**We have LGBTQ online training modules or pre-recorded content that can be accessed by employees throughout the assessed calendar year.**

Name of Online Training or Video:	<b>Yes – to be provided after submission as I need to get training specifics from our L&amp;D team. We hope you will still consider this evidence.</b>	
Length of the LGBTQ component within the video/training:	[Evidence Here]	
Where employees can access this training :	Please provide screenshot of where this training is accessed. [Evidence Here]	
Tracking:	To provide evidence of training being accessed, please identify: (a) how participation numbers are tracked [Evidence Here] (b) approximate number of people accessing this training throughout the assessed year [Evidence Here]	
Copy of the module or a brief outline of it's LGBTQ content.	[Evidence Here]	

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**ADVANCED  
Max. 2 points**

**30. Professional Development for LGBTQ Employees**

**Outside of the Pride in Practice Conference within the assessed calendar year, we have either:**

- (a) provided LGBTQ people with LGBTQ specific leadership training, internally or externally (excludes conferences unless specifically dedicated to LGBTQ leadership development)
- (b) put processes in place to ensure that there is LGBTQ representation within talent development programs.

Please provide evidence for the one selected item above. If you can provide both, please add the second item to the ADDITIONAL WORK section at the end of this submission.

We do not have any evidence for this question.

**ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 TRAINING, AWARENESS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**ADVANCED  
Max. 4 points**

**31. LGBTQ Inclusion Training Plan**

**We have a strategy or training plan in place to specifically address LGBTQ inclusion and/or awareness training for all employees.**

Please provide:

- (a) a copy of the strategy
- (b) outlined progress made throughout the assessed year

We do not have any evidence for this question.

**ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 TRAINING, AWARENESS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**ADVANCED  
2 points**

**32. LGBTQ Conferences, Seminars and Events**

**Within the assessed calendar year, we have provided opportunities for employees to attend external dedicated LGBTQ conferences, seminars or events.**

**Note: This may include but is not limited to the Pride in Practice Conference, Regional Reach or Sapphire Events, or external LGBTQ panel events. This does not include roundtables or social networking events.**

Please provide evidence.

A number of staff from the PRIDE Network and HR attended sessions of the virtual 2020 Pride in Practice Conference. Evidence at Attachment Y.

The PRIDE Network forwarded advertised Sapphire Event via an email to its membership in December 2020 – see Attachment Z.

Advertising for Out for Australia virtual event at Attachment AA.

## SECTION 6: EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP & ENGAGEMENT

**Please note: Different titles are used when referring to the most senior executive. For the purpose of consistency within submission, in defining CEO or Equivalent, we are referring to the most senior executive in your organisation within Australia.**

If you have a CEO or equivalent, or Senior Leader/Executive highly active in promoting and supporting LGBTQ inclusion (as an LGBTQ individual or an ally), please consider nominating them for the following Awards (where applicable):

- [Executive Leadership Award](#)
- [CEO of the Year Award](#)

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<b>33. Executive Sponsor or Champion</b>	<b>Max. 2 points</b>
<p><b>We have a visible and active Executive Sponsor or Senior Champion for LGBTQ inclusion who has both:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) contributed to the LGBTQ strategy</li> <li>b) is engaged in tracking performance progress against the strategy throughout the year</li> </ul> <p><i>For full points, please provide evidence for all parts to this question:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) specific contribution to the strategy</li> <li>b) level of engagement, tracking progress against the strategy (signed statement by the Executive as to their role in strategy development / tracking will suffice)</li> </ul>	

Reminder - Invitation to complete survey - 2020 Australian Workplace Equality Index [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED] - Message (HTML)

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s 47E(c)

Reminder - Invitation to complete survey - 2020 Australian Workplace Equality Index [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

[ALL LOCATIONS - AGD and AGS All Staff]; [Industrial Relations All Staff - External Contacts]

Colleagues

Please be reminded and encouraged to take up the opportunity to participate in this year's [Australian Workplace Equality Index \(AWEI\) survey](#), before it closes this Friday 6 March. Thank you to all staff that have already taken time to complete the AWEI survey.

The AWEI is conducted by Pride in Diversity, and is a national benchmarking study of how Australian workplaces are tracking against key indicators for diversity and inclusion of our LGBTIQ colleagues. The AWEI survey is open to all departmental employees. Regardless of how you personally identify, I encourage you to participate in the survey.

Your participation will provide valuable feedback and data on how the department is tracking on LGBTIQ workplace inclusion, considering both what we're doing well and how we can improve.

The survey is anonymous and all answers provided will be treated **confidentially**.

If you have any questions, please contact s 47E(d)

s 47E(d), s  
PRIDE Champion

**Attachment AB – Cth PRIDE Champions catch up**  
**Attachment AC - UPDATES LGBTIQ+ Inclusion training**

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- Strategic Operations Steering Committee

## Diversity Council

The Diversity Council is responsible for articulating the vision for an inclusive workplace and setting strategic direction for diversity within the department.

### Membership and attendance

Members of the Diversity Council are:

The Secretary (Chair) and Celebrating Ability co-Champion	Chris Moraitis PSM
Celebrating Ability co-Champion	s 47E(d)
Indigenous Champion	
Women's Champion	
<b>PRIDE in AGD Champion</b>	
Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Champion	
Australian Government Solicitor	Michael Kingston
Deputy Secretary, Industrial Relations Group	Martin Hehir
AGD Chief Operating Officer	Helen Daniels
AGS Chief Operating Officer	Louise Yordanega
Assistant Secretary, Human Resources	Michelle Norris

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### Terms of Reference

- [Diversity Council—Terms of Reference \(CM\)](#)

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<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP &amp; ENGAGEMENT</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b>
<b>34. Executive Advocacy</b>	<b>2 points</b>
<p><b>Within the assessed calendar year, Senior Executive(s) within our organisation have:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) advocated for LGBTQ inclusion at an executive level <i>externally</i> amongst peers</li> <li>b) advocated for LGBTQ inclusion at an executive level <i>internally</i> amongst peers; or</li> <li>c) attended at least two of the Pride in Diversity Executive Allies Forums within the assessed year</li> </ul> <p><i>Please provide evidence for <u>one</u> of the above.</i></p> <p><i>If you can provide evidence for two or more of the above, please add the additional item/s to the ADDITIONAL WORK section at the end of this submission.</i></p>	
<p><b>Attachment AB - Cth PRIDE Champions catch up</b></p>	

<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP &amp; ENGAGEMENT</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b>
<b>35. CEO or Equivalent Communications</b>	<b>2 points</b>
<p><b>Within the assessed calendar year, our CEO or equivalent has sent formal communications to all employees comprehensively discussing progress made in LGBTQ inclusion work and its importance to the organisation. This may be CEO communications prioritised on intranet pages or within a CEO newsletter (beyond social media, award announcements only).</b></p> <p><i>Please provide the most comprehensive communication sent out by your CEO (or equivalent) to all employees in regard to your work in LGBTQ inclusion.</i></p>	
<p>Nil evidence provided.</p>	

<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP &amp; ENGAGEMENT</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b>
<b>36. CEO or Equivalent Speaking at Events</b>	<b>2 points</b>
<p><b>Our CEO or equivalent has spoken at LGBTQ events held by our organisation, either internally or externally.</b></p> <p><i>For full points, all of the following must be provided:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) evidence of the individual speaking at the event and approximate duration of speech</li> <li>(b) brief outline of event purpose and typical audience</li> <li>(c) approximate attendee numbers</li> </ul>	



Nil evidence provided.

## SECTION 7: DATA COLLECTION & REPORTING

<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 DATA COLLECTION &amp; REPORTING</b> <b>37. Employee Data Analysis</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE</b> <b>Max. 3 points</b>
<p><b>Within our annual engagement, pulse or diversity surveys, either for the assessed calendar year or year prior, we have:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a) included questions in regard to one’s sexual orientation, gender identity or whether or not someone is intersex, AND</b></li> <li><b>b) analysed and reported on LGBTQ engagement data alongside other diversity demographics or overall population statistics</b></li> </ul> <p><i>For full points, please provide:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>a) details of when that data was last collected</i></li> <li><i>b) a copy of the questions used to identify LGBTQ population</i></li> <li><i>c) an overview of comparative findings or analysis as compared to other internal populations</i></li> </ul>	
<p><b>Attachment AC – INPUT BY COB 11/3/2021: 2021 AWEI submission</b></p> <p><b>Attachment AD – Census Data for 2021 AWEI submission</b></p>	
<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 DATA COLLECTION &amp; REPORTING</b> <b>38. LGBTQ Analysis</b>	<b>ADVANCED</b> <b>3 points</b>

Within the assessed calendar year (or year prior), we have specifically asked, investigated or assessed one of the following:

- if LGBTQ employees are directly or indirectly disadvantaged at any stage during the recruitment process
- if LGBTQ employees are directly or indirectly disadvantaged in talent management processes or career progression
- if there are discrepancies in attrition rates between LGBTQ and non-LGBTQ employees
- if within gender aggregated data, we include non-binary employees and if not a proposed plan of action
- if internal engagement or AWEI Survey data show any “most in need” areas to focus on, resulting in a plan of action

Please provide evidence for one of the above, including a plan of action where stipulated. Points will be given for one of the above.

If you have done work in more than one of the above areas within the assessed year, or year prior, please add such work to the ADDITIONAL WORK section at the end of this submission.

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Nil evidence provided.

## SECTION 8: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Please note: For this Submission, we will be accepting evidence only regarding one such event/instance for each question within this section, respectively (as opposed to two). If you have more than one example to evidence for the questions within this section, please *please add the additional item/s to the ADDITIONAL WORK section at the end of this submission.*

ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	<b>INTERMEDIATE</b>
<b>39. Employer Branded Participation at Community Events</b>	<b>2 points</b>
<p>Within the assessed calendar year, we held stalls at LGBTQ community events or participated in pride parades under our employer/company branding. <b>(This may include online community events with prominent employer branding.)</b></p> <p><b>Note:</b> This must be a targeted branding exercise, over and above employees wearing corporate t-shirts but not contributing formally to the event.</p> <p><i>Please provide evidence of branding displayed at one such community event, including online community events.</i></p>	
<p><b>Attachment AD - PRIDE in AGD partnering with Queer Screen - Mardi Gras Film Festival</b></p>	

ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	<b>INTERMEDIATE</b>
<b>40. Pro-Bono or Financial Support: LGBTQ Charities/Organisations</b>	<b>2 points</b>

Throughout the assessed calendar year, we have provided pro-bono or financial support to LGBTQ charities/community groups. (This includes sponsorships of events, publications or pro-bono accommodation/venue support. Fundraising is covered in Q41.)

*Please provide evidence of **one** such instance.*

We did not provide pro bono legal support to any specific LGTBI Community Legal Centres (CLC's)/organisation. However, we do support CLCs whose clients include those from the LGTBI communities but we are not be able to say what percentage of the clientele of those CLC's fall within that the LGTBI group.

<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: 2020 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT</b> 41. Fundraising	<b>INTERMEDIATE</b> 2 points
Throughout the assessed calendar year, we have engaged in fundraising for LGBTQ charities / communities / groups. (This may include the support of any LGBTQ charity groups within workplace giving programs.)	
<i>Please provide evidence of <b>one</b> such instance. (This can be a letter of appreciation, certificate, receipts or confirmation of funds raised issued by the charity/group.)</i>	
<i>Specific details on fundraising including amounts raised to be provided following submission. I was not able to collect this information prior to the submission deadline. We hope this can still be considered as part of this submission.</i>	

## SECTION 9: SURVEY

<b>ANNUAL SUBMISSION: OPTIONAL SURVEY PARTICIPATION</b> 42. Survey Participation	<b>OPTIONAL</b> 2 points
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> We are participating in the 2021 AWEI Survey. <i>Please note:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Partial points will not be given. Full points will only be obtained for the following:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Medium Employers (501 – 2000 employees): if 50 or more survey responses are collected</i></li> <li>○ <i>Large Employers (2001 – 8000 employees): if 100 or more survey responses are collected</i></li> <li>○ <i>Significant Employers (8001 or more employees): if 200 or more survey responses are collected</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<i>Please note: the more respondents you have, the more substantial data you will receive. The purpose of the AWEI Survey is to provide you with significant information on the impact of your inclusion initiatives and allow you to benchmark against the national dataset.</i>	

## SECTION 10: ADDITIONAL WORK

This section allows you to describe and provide evidence for any additional work completed throughout the assessed calendar year:

- (a) that has not already been included within this index submission
- (b) that you believe is significantly over and above what a particular question or index topic is looking for
- **IMPORTANT: PLEASE COMBINE ALL RELATED INDEX WORK INTO ONE ROW.** For example, if you wish to claim for significant training, list all LGBTQ training within one row under the Item Name of "Training." Only 1 point is available for all work pertaining to a particular topic/area – PLEASE do not split similar areas of index activity over multiple rows.
- Please add additional rows regarding different areas of work, as necessary. **Note: A maximum of 15 points (15 items) may be obtained in this section. Should you submit more than this, you will still only be eligible for the same Maximum points.**

ANNUAL SUBMISSION: ADDITIONAL WORK		ADDITIONAL
43. ADDITIONAL WORK		Max. 15 points
<p><i>Item Name: [Question No. or Item Name Here]</i></p> <p><i>If referencing significant work over and above in relation to one of the questions or topics within the index, please state question number or index topic here and then provide evidence to the right.</i></p> <p><i>If you have new work, the topic of which is not covered within the index, please add an appropriate heading here and then provide evidence to the right.</i></p>	<p><u>Development of Gender Affirmation Policy</u>                      During 2020, the PRIDE in AGD Network commenced consultation in support of the development of a departmental Gender Affirmation Policy. This will continue to be a key focus for the network during 2021, with a proposed launch in late 2021. See evidence of the work during 2020 at <b>Attachment AE</b>.</p> <p><u>PRIDE in AGD (and at home) Newsletter</u> – See <b>Attachment’s AF through AL</b>.</p> <p><b>Additional evidence of activity during 2020 from the PRIDE in AGD Network. This has not been tied to specific Index questions due to running out of time to complete our submission.</b></p> <p><b>Attachment AM – PRIDE Inclusive language guide and reminder for PRIDE Committee applications</b>  <b>Attachment AN – Invitation to complete survey – 2020 Australian Workplace Equality Index</b>  <b>Attachment AO – PRIDE: Staying connected and some support options</b>  <b>Attachment AP – PRIDE: #ImHereForYou – LGBTI Domestic Violence Awareness Day</b>  <b>Attachment AQ – PRIDE: Queer Love In this Saturday night</b>  <b>Attachment AR – PRIDE in AGD presents IDAHOBIT with Jordan Raskopoulos (portfolio invitation)</b>  <b>Attachment AS – PRIDE Committee: Call for nominations</b>  <b>Attachment AT – PRIDE in AGD Committee – election update</b>  <b>Attachment AU – Call for Volunteers – Panel Event for Mental Health Week 2020</b>  <b>Attachment AV – RE: New Working Arrangements Internal Audit – PRIDE Network Discussion</b>  <b>Attachment AW - 2021 AWEI - Survey on Flexible Work at AGD</b>  <b>Attachment AX - 2021 AWEI - Graduate Data Network survey on the recruitment and retention of LGBTIQA+ people across the APS</b>  <b>Attachment AY - RE: APS Pride Networks contact list   due COB Friday 9 October</b></p>	

	<p>Attachment AZ - RE: Participation in a mental health capability project workshop</p> <p>Attachment BA - 2021 AWEI - Grad Major Project - Seeking input from PRIDE</p> <p>Attachment BB - 2021 AWEI - AGD Social Club Newsletter - Issue 05 2020</p> <p>Attachment BC - RE: PRIDE: Meeting with s 47E(</p>
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## AWEI 2021 SUBMISSION DATES

**We can accept AWEI submissions between Monday 4th January – 5pm Friday 12th March 2021 (or midnight Saturday 13th March 2021 for large file transfer URL).**

- No later than 5pm, Friday 12th March 2021 for hand-delivered, couriered or mailed submissions (hard copies, USB, etc).
- Deadline for large file transfer program URL (including but not limited to Dropbox, Google Docs, Parcel Post, SharePoint or any other internally approved large file transfer system) midnight Saturday 13th March 2021
- **Important: File attachments within emails will not be accepted. Pride in Diversity will take no responsibility for attachments sent via email.**
- All file transfers and access to various systems must be sent to [AWEI@prideindiversity.com.au](mailto:AWEI@prideindiversity.com.au); with a copy to s 47F(1)

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SUBMITTERS

Please ensure that you have signed up to the following newsletter – this will ensure that you receive all relevant information and updates in terms of the up and coming AWEI period. Click here to sign up or go to: <http://eeportal.com/t17vf>

### OPTIONAL AWEI EMPLOYEE SURVEY

**Participating in the AWEI optional Survey? You will be able to [request your unique survey URL](#) as of 1st December 2020.** You will receive this link when the survey goes live on Monday 4th January 2021 and will remain open until the close of submissions on Friday 12th March 2021.

Participation in the survey allows you to balance the results of your AWEI with the views and lived experiences of your employees. While survey data is linked to your organisation enabling us to provide you with a comprehensive high-level analysis of responses, individual respondent data is not collected

#### **INDIVIDUAL AWARD NOMINATIONS**

**Please consider nominating your colleagues, networks, etc. for an LGBTQ Inclusion Award. Award categories can be found within the Participation Details of this Submission or on the AWEI website: <http://www.pid-awei.com.au/submission-documents/>**