

## **Re-Envisioning Pride: Finding Signs of Hope and Action in Tough Times**

## **Session Description:**

Change in moments of social and political turmoil can be difficult, even for the most seasoned ally. In this session, we'll look at the challenges of allyship in tumultuous times. We'll also discuss the signals of hope and progress that can help refocus efforts while looking at behavioral shifts that help people weather hard times, push through barriers to inclusion, and thrive as perfectly imperfect allies.

## **Content Overview:**

Over the last few years, three major headline dominating events have shaped how we understand where we are now in terms of progress, pride, and possibility. Leveraging PFLAG's 50 years of experience as the nation's original ally organization, this session will:

- Consider how COVID-19 fundamentally changed the world we live in and the lessons we can learn from the LGBTQ+ and ally community's history of HIV and AIDS activism
- Discuss the ongoing fight for racial justice in the US and how we can use the truly intersectional work being done by organizations like Black Lives Matter to fuel our own inclusive approach to change
- Reflect on the unprecedented attacks on people who are LGBTQ+ across the globe and the record-breaking numbers of anti-LGBTQ+ bills be introduced in statehouses in the US
- Identify signals of hope and progress that can help refocus our diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts and thrive as perfectly imperfect allies

Session Length:	90 minutes (in-person or hybrid), 60 minutes (online only)
Target Audience:	General audience, no prior knowledge of LGBTQ+ issues required
Participant Materials:	Online resource page
Additional Information:	Online only events may be scheduled for 75 minutes, to allow for a brief panel discussion with ERG leaders  PFLAG is a non-partisan, 501(c)3 organization

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