

HERE FOR ACON NORTHERN RIVERS



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LOCAL LGBTIQ+ SOCIAL AND SUPPORT GROUPS

Lismore Campus SCU Queer Collective

Facebook - Lismore Campus SCU Queer Collective

A social group for queer students and their allies

Rainbow Alliance SCU Gold Coast Campus

Facebook - Rainbow Alliance SCU Gold Coast Campus

Promoting a safe, open, and inclusive community for queer students and allied friends studying, living, and playing on the Gold Coast, Queensland

Tropical Fruits Inc.

6622 6440 | tropicalfruits.org.au

Facebook - The Tropical Fruits Inc

Social events and support for LGBTIQ+ and friends

Queer Beers Brunswick Heads

Facebook - Queer Beers

Mixed -Gender, monthly social in the beer garden at the Brunswick Heads Hotel

Queer Beers Lismore

Facebook - Queer Beers Lismore

Every 4th Sunday of the month (4-8pm) for the LGBTIQ+ community at the Northern Rivers Hotel in Lismore

Lismore Lads Club Lunch

Facebook - lismore lad's club

A monthly social get together of gay guys living with or affected by HIV, and our friends and supporters. This is a private group

Queer Family

Facebook - Queer Family

Building LGBTIQ+ community ad safe spaces in the Northern Rivers coastal areas

Northern Rives Bears

Facebook - Northern Rivers Bears Est 2020
Monthly Den Nights at the Civic Hotel, Lismore

Lantana Lesbians Facebook Group, Northern Rivers

Email Sarah to join
sarahsongbird@hotmail.com

A Facebook network of coastal and inland women for promotion of events, social and sporting outings & informal get-togethers

Gar'ban'djee'lum network

Facebook - garbandjeelum

garbandjeelum@gmail.com

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander LGBTIQ+ Sistergirl & Brotherboy Network Group

Indigilez Leadership and Support Group

www.indigilez.org

Social support group for Aboriginal, Torres Strait Islander and Australian South Sea Islander lesbian and same sex attracted women and families

Men's Lounge, Lismore

Russell Ph: 0481 117 121

menslounge2480@gmail.com

A group of gay and bisexual men who meet at the Tropical Fruit Bowl in South Lismore on the second Friday of each month

Northern Rivers Transgender & Gender Diverse Network

Facebook: Northern Rivers Trans* & Gender Diverse Group

A Facebook group for trans & gender diverse community people in the area for support and local resources

Fruity Fridays

Every Friday 6-11pm at the Civic Hotel in Lismore, all welcome

Northern Rivers Lesbian Network

Facebook - Northern Rivers Lesbian Network

Closed group for lesbians to mingle, make new friends, socialise & network in Lismore, Byron, Tweed, the southern Gold Coast down to Grafton

Northern Rivers Gay Men's Group

Facebook - Northern Rivers Gay Men

A private group page where mature gay men in Nth NSW/SEQLD can get to know each other and organise regular social get-togethers

Fierce FM

Facebook - Fierce FM

fiercef.m.podbean.com

½ hour weekly LGBTIQ+ show broadcast throughout Australia on the Community Radio Network, and NZ on freshfm

Q Paddlers and Q Campers

Facebook - Q Paddlers

Facebook - Q Campers

Two groups for the Queer / LGBTI community of the Northern Rivers to South East Queensland area to organize social paddling days (kayaking / canoeing) and social camping trips

Bush Fruits Landcare

Facebook - Bush Fruits

Tropical Fruits Landcare Group Local Landcare group for the LGBTIQ+ community of Lismore and surrounds. Established to restore the riparian zone of Slaters Creek, North Lismore, whilst providing a fun social space for our community, the group meets occasionally for working bees and outdoor fun

ACON Northern Rivers

02 6622 1555 | 1800 063 060 | northernrivers@acon.org.au

[f/aconorthernrivers](https://www.facebook.com/aconorthernrivers)

We're here for people of diverse sexualities and genders and people with HIV across regional NSW. Providing a range of outreach services, including: peer education, sexual health info & resources, counselling, referrals, inclusive practice training & strengthening supportive environments.

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LOCAL HIV AND STI SERVICES

Clinic 145 Tweed Valley Sexual Health Service

Level 1, 145 Wharf St, Tweed Heads
07 5506 6850 | Mon-Fri 9:00am – 5:30pm

Lismore Sexual Health Service

4 Shepherd Lane 'Tara House', Lismore
For Lismore clinic times and appointments call 6620 2980

Choices Reproductive and Sexual Health Clinic

Lismore 6620 7660 (alternate Fridays)
Youth Clinic, Lismore (Thursdays)
socialfutures.org.au/choices

Bullinah Aboriginal Health Service

120 Tamar St, Ballina NSW 2478
6681 5644

Jullums Aboriginal Medical Service, Lismore Clinic

51 Uralba St, Lismore NSW 2480
6621 4366

WOMENS HEALTH

Lismore Womens Health and Resource Centre

6621 8591

Counselling, Pregnancy support, sexual and reproductive health, wellbeing groups, healthy heart checks, cervical screening, drop in support. All women welcome

Bulgarr Ngaru Medical Aboriginal Corporation, Richmond Valley - Casino Clinic

153 Canterbury St, Casino NSW 2470
6662 3514

Local Needle & Syringe Program (NSP) Outlets

health.nsw.gov.au/hepatitis/Pages/nsp-outlets.aspx

Local NSPs in the Northern Rivers for sterile injecting equipment, advice, information & referral

The Dried Blood Spot (DBS) HIV Test (from home)

hivtest.health.nsw.gov.au

Dried blood Spot (DBS) Test is a new, free, easy, private and accurate way to test for HIV and hepatitis C. You collect a few drops of blood from your finger and place on card provided. Return test in a reply paid envelope and receive results within two weeks by phone text or email

BreastScreen NSW

Call 13 20 50 for appointment for women aged 40+

29 Uralba Street, Lismore NSW 2480

The Tweed Hospital, Tweed Heads NSW 2485

AGED SERVICES

Seniors Rights Service

66211070 | 1800424079

seniorsrightsservice.org.au

Legal-Advocacy-Education: Free legal advice, advocacy & education session for LGBTI seniors who are receiving Commonwealth funded aged care services.

Aged Care Navigator Trail: We support LGBTI seniors who are not receiving Commonwealth funded services to navigate the aged care system and to access aged care services.

Dementia Australia

1800 100 500

dementia.org.

Dementia Australia is committed to the inclusion of LGBTIQ++ people in all aspects of service provision & offers a wide variety of supports, referrals, and services, as well as multilingual resources to all people living with dementia, their carers, partners, family, & friends.

ALCOHOL, DRUG AND OTHER SUBSTANCE SUPPORT

Riverlands Drug and Alcohol Centre

6620 7608

Purpose built multifunctional drug and alcohol treatment centre in Lismore. Residential detoxification unit, methadone & buprenorphine clinic, clinical liaison and outpatient services

The Buttery Rehab

6687 1111

buttery.org.au

Specialises in the treatment of alcohol and other drug misuse, problem gambling and mental health issues

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DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE SUPPORT

Men and Family Centre

02 6622 6116

For addressing abuse in relationships

Say It Outloud

sayitoutloud.org.au

Provides information, support and resources about abuse in LGBTIQ+ relationships as well as information and tips about how to make relationships healthier

Northern Rivers Women's Domestic Violence Services

02 6621 1044 | 1800 938 227

For information, referral, support and court advocacy

GLLOs – NSW Police LGBTI Liaison Officers

07 5506 9499 (Byron Bay/Tweed Heads)
6642 0222 (Grafton) | 6681 8699 (Lismore/Ballina)
tinyurl.com/NSWPolice-GLLO

Northern Rivers Community Legal Centre

02 6621 1000 | 1800 689 889

For free legal advice, information and referral including support with tenancy matters

GENDER AFFIRMING HEALTH SERVICES

North Coast Sexual Health Services

Lismore 02 6620 2980 | Tweed 07 5506 6850

Providing medical affirmation services under informed consent for people over 16yrs including assessment & prescribing of hormones in line with Australian Guidelines, insertion of oestrogen pellets and surgical referral. GP referral required

TransHub

transhub.org.au

[instagram.com/transhub_ACON](https://www.instagram.com/transhub_ACON)

Health ACON's digital information & resource platform for all trans & gender diverse people in NSW, our loved ones, allies & health providers. Includes ACON's Gender Affirming Doctor list

YOUTH SERVICES

Spectrum LGBTIQAP+ Social Groups

Jackie Ph: 07 5589 8700

Meets monthly for LGBTIQAP+ & gender diverse young people aged 16-25 years in the Tweed and Murwillumbah

Compass Tweed/Southern Gold Coast LGBTIQAP+ Youth Network

Claire Ph: 07 5589 8700

ccottone@headspace-tweed.org.au

Compass is a youth-driven network of community members and service providers uniting to provide safety, support, acceptance and celebration for LGBTIQAP+ young people in the Tweed Shire and Southern Gold Coast

Headspace LGBTIQ Youth Groups

6625 0200

enquiries@headspace-lismore.org.au

LGBTIQ+ youth social group meets every second Monday FRESH FRUITS 16-25 years old JUICY FRUITS for 12 to15-year-olds

Headspace

Headspace has centres located throughout Australia

Headspace Lismore

2A Carrington Street, Lismore
6625 0200

Headspace Tweed Heads

145 Wharf Street, Carmarco Building,
Tweed Heads
5589 8700

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STATEWIDE & NATIONAL SERVICES

Ending HIV

endinghiv.org.au

An ACON campaign focused on ending HIV transmission among gay men through testing often, treating early and staying safe

Minus18 (National)

facebook.com/minus18youth | minus18.org.au

Youth led social & support organisation for gay, lesbian, bisexual & trans youth

NSW Sexual Health Info Link

1800 451 624 | shil.nsw.gov.au

Phone and online sexual health service for sexual health, specialising in HIV and STI risk assessment, testing, treatment and support

QLife (National)

1800 184 527 | qlife.org.au

LGBTIQ+ phone & online counselling service operating every day from 3pm - midnight

The Institute of Many - TIM (National)

facebook.com/theinstituteofmany
theinstituteofmany.org

Grassroots movement of people living with HIV (PLHIV) who run Australia's largest online community for PLHIV

NSW Police LGBTIQ Liaison Officers (formerly known as GLOs)

tinyurl.com/NSWPolice-GLO

Contact officers for LGBTIQ+ people who are victims of crime. They also assist other police to respond to homophobic and transphobic incidents

Gay and Lesbian Rights Lobby (NSW)

glrl.org.au

Referral and resources on gay and lesbian rights for the media, policy makers and the community

Intersex Human Rights Australia (IHRA)

facebook.com/intersexaus | ihra.org.au

Information, education & peer support for intersex people, their families & friends

Bobby Goldsmith Foundation (NSW)

02 9283 8666 | 1800 651 010 | bgf.org.au

Counselling, housing, study, employment & financial support for people living with HIV

Twenty10 (NSW)

02 8594 9555 (intake) | 02 8594 9550 (admin)
twenty10.org.au

Specialist support for young people of diverse genders & sexualities, & intersex status

Inner City Legal Centre (NSW)

1800 244 481 | iclc.org.au

Expert specialist legal advice for LGBTIQ+ people anywhere in NSW

Positive Life NSW

02 9206 2177 | 1800 245 677 | positivelife.org.au

Information, support, referral and advocacy for people living with HIV in NSW

Lifeline (National)

13 11 44

24 hour crisis support hotline

1800 RESPECT National Sexual Assault, Domestic Family Violence Counselling Service

1800 737 731

Confidential information, counselling and support service Open 24 hours to support people impacted by sexual assault, domestic or family violence and abuse. Call 000 if you are in immediate danger

The Gender Centre (NSW)

02 9569 2366 | 1800 069 115

gendercentre.org.au

Trans & gender diverse accommodation service, & education, support, training & referral centre

Sex Worker Outreach Project (SWOP)

02 9206 2166 | 1800 622 902 | swop.org.au

Run by and for sex workers for information, support, outreach, free worker packs, resources and referrals

Parents of Gender Diverse Children

pgdc.org.au | info@pgdc.org.au

Peer support for parents and carers of transgender and gender diverse children

Multicultural HIV and Hepatitis Service

1800 108 098 | mhahs.org.au

Multi-lingual health information and support

BlaQ

blaq.org.au | facebook.com/blaqmobs

BlaQ Aboriginal Corporation is committed to empowering the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander LGBTIQ+ community through innovation, inclusion, understanding and advocacy

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We're here to support people of diverse sexualities and genders, and people with HIV across regional NSW take control of their health by providing a range of local, outreach and remote programs, campaigns & services, including: peer education, sexual health info & resources, counselling, referrals, inclusive practice training & strengthening supportive environments.

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