Ruth Ellis Institute
2018 Report

Creating a world where LGBTQ youth can be safe and supported in all systems of care.

Training Content Included:

- Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity & Expression 101
- Tools for Working with LGBTQ2S Youth
- Family Acceptance Project
- Ruth Ellis Center Orientation
- Ruth Ellis Center Principles of Work
- Application of Work to CPS
- Foster Care and Juvenile Justice
- Safe Bathrooms

3,110*
Workers Trained

450*
Hours of Training

131*
Training Sessions

*Outputs since January 2017

Training Participant Feedback on Ruth Ellis Institute Experience:

“I greatly appreciated how the trainer from the Ruth Ellis Center presented this material. The presenter did not try to change the personal beliefs of the audience, rather strictly educate working professionals on how to be respectful to all clients we work with.”

“The presenter gave good information with a strong research basis.”
### 2018 Ruth Ellis Institute Accomplishments

Internal review board application for program evaluation of family acceptance project, family support model and the building safety with diverse sogie youth workforce training.

Hire of new full-time trainer and the first cohort of 6 MDHHS to co-trainers through the institute’s train the trainer certification.

Statistically significant indicators demonstrating an increase in LGBTQ knowledge, supportive attitudes and behaviors in surveys of participants in the Ruth Ellis Institute Training.

**Values:**
1. Focusing on restorative collaboration with systems of care  
2. Supporting family preservation  
3. Prioritizing evidenced-based practices for safety, health, and residential permanency  
4. Believing LGBTQ Youth of color are experts in their own lives

### Systems of Care Focus Areas

#### Child Welfare
- Child protection services

#### Juvenile Justice
- Confinement settings and outpatient

#### Integrated Health
- Behavioral and medical health runaway & homeless youth

### System of Care Training 2017-2018

- **Child Welfare:** 18%
- **Corporate:** 29%
- **Education:** 22%
- **Internal:** 14%
- **Integrated Health:** 10%
- **Runaway & Homeless Youth:** 3%
- **Juvenile Justice:** 4%