

# Getting a Grip on Gender and Sexuality in School



Although state anti-discrimination policy prohibits discrimination of students on the basis of gender identity and expression, there are few opportunities for staff to learn what it means to be transgender.

The morning workshop will focus on the basics: definitions, an exploration of the impact of gender norms and stereotypes on students, faculty and staff, and strategies for intervention K-12.

The afternoon workshop will focus on best practices in school policy, programming and safe school climate practices.

**When:**

Wednesday  
September 13, 2017  
8:00AM – 4:00PM

**Workshop Cost:**  
\$100.00

**Where:**

CREC Central  
Rooms 101/102  
111 Charter Oak Ave.  
Hartford, CT

**Registration:**

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For additional information, please contact Dr. Ellen Retelle at [eretelle@crec.org](mailto:eretelle@crec.org).

**Featured Speaker**

Robin P. McHaelen, MSW, is the founder and current executive director of True Colors, Inc., a nonprofit that works with other social service agencies, schools, organizations, and within communities



to ensure that the needs of sexual and gender minority youth are both recognized and competently met. Robin has a national reputation as a thought leader in LGBT youth concerns, programs and interventions. She is the recipient of numerous awards including the 2014 Human Rights Campaign's Upstander Award for Leadership in LGBT youth issues, the 2011 UConn, Provost's Award

for Excellence in Public Engagement; the 2008 National Education Association's Virginia Uribe Award for Creative Leadership in Human Rights and the 2008 Social Worker of the Year (National Association of Social Workers, CT Chapter). She is co-author of several books and articles on LGBT youth concerns.