



Using Virtual Meetings for Community Education: Hosting an Article-Based Discussion

As your chapter launches virtual meetings and events, you'll need ways to continue the work your chapter has done to educate your community about LGBTQ+ equality, just in a new format.

We all come across news articles and stories that stand out and that we'd like to share and discuss with others. So why not create a space to talk about those headlines on LGBTQ+ topics that led us to think about a particular issue in a new way?

PFLAG Chapter leaders can check out the [Something to Talk About and Talking Inclusively](#) series from PFLAG's Straight for Equality program, posted each month, or identify articles and create questions on their own.

A few tips:

1. Follow all of the same safety and security precautions your chapter has put into place for your support group meetings.
2. Invite PFLAG chapter members, supporters, and community partners to participate in your discussion.
3. Be sure to ask participants to read the article, review the questions, and think about what they'd like to say in advance.
4. In addition to reading the questions aloud, ask the live-chat facilitator to share the discussion questions in the chat throughout your conversation.

Looking for an example on how this could work? Check out the archive of [Something to Talk About Live sessions](#), hosted by PFLAG National every Thursday at 4:30 PM ET/1:30 PM PT.