

## **Resources for Parents of Student-Athletes Experiencing Harassment or Discrimination on the Basis of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity/Expression**

### **It Takes A Team! Education Campaign for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Issues in Sport**

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It Takes A Team! (ITAT) is an education and advocacy initiative of the Women's Sports Foundation. ITAT develops and disseminates education information and resources for high school and collegiate athletic administrators, coaches, athletes and parents about how to make athletics a safe and respectful place for all.

### **National Center for Lesbian Rights (NCLR) Sports Project**

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[www.nclrights.org](http://www.nclrights.org)

The NCLR Sports Project is a legal advocacy organization that provides assistance, advice, and support for student athletes, parents, coaches or others in athletics who are experiencing harassment or discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity/expression. Based in San Francisco, CA

### **Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)**

[www.pflag.org](http://www.pflag.org)

PFLAG is an international organization that provides support, information and advocacy for parents, families and friends of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people. PFLAG has local chapters around the world. Check the PFLAG web page for the local chapter nearest your home.

### **Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network (GLSEN)**

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[www.ItTakesATeam.org](http://www.ItTakesATeam.org)

[www.glsen.org](http://www.glsen.org)

GLSEN is an education and advocacy organization providing resources, support and information for making schools safe and respectful for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students and staff. Check the GLSEN web page for local chapters.

## **Canadian Association for the Advancement of Women and Sports (CAAWS)**

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[www.caaws.ca](http://www.caaws.ca)

CAAWS is an advocate for equity for girls and women in sport and physical activity, and promotes the values of equity, inclusiveness, fairness, and respect. They have recently published a document entitled, "Seeing the invisible, Speaking about the unspoken" in February 2006. The purpose of this paper is to initiate discussion about homophobia in sport and also to be the first step in a longer term strategy to reduce homophobia in Canadian sport.

## **Gay and Lesbian Athletic Foundation (GLAF)**

[www.glaf.org](http://www.glaf.org)

The Gay & Lesbian Athletics Foundation promotes acceptance and visibility of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgendered (GLBT) athletics.

## **Gay and Lesbian Athletes Association (GLAA)**

[www.glpaa.org](http://www.glpaa.org)

866-409-4522

GLAA is a Canada-based organization dedicated to making sports a safe and welcoming place for all athletes regardless of their sexual orientation.

## **OutProud**

[www.outproud.org](http://www.outproud.org)

An online support, friendship, resource site for youth LGBT people

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## Support Groups and Helplines

### 1. Kids Help Phone

[www.kidshelpphone.ca](http://www.kidshelpphone.ca)

1-888-668-6868

Nationwide crisis line for kids providing counseling, support, referrals and community information 24 hours a day.

### 2. LGBT Youthline

[www.youthline.ca](http://www.youthline.ca)

1-800-268-YOUTH or 416-962-YOUTH

An Ontario wide toll free phone line providing peer support to LGBT youth. Hours of service are Sunday to Friday

4:00 pm-9:30 pm. TTY is available on all lines.