

***HELP US LAUNCH****the new* **LGBTQ Education and Research Network [LEARN]**

**Join us on Friday, September 26 at 12:30-4:30pm**

**Cone Ballroom C**

**Elliot University Center**

**UNC Greensboro**

* The mission of LEARN is to advance the health, wellness and quality of life of the LGBTQ population through research, education and community engagement.
* LEARN is designed to build strong and productive networks of faculty, staff, students and community partners that will advance scholarship, education, practice and policy to improve the health, wellness and quality of life of the LGBTQ community.

**Program**

* (12:30) Lunch
* (12:45) Welcome
* (1:00) Introductions
* (1:20) Short presentations w/ Q&A
	+ Changing landscape of LGBTQ Research (Roger Mills-Koonce, Dept. of Human Development and Family Studies)
	+ Funding opportunities (Aubrey Turner, Office of Sponsored Programs)
	+ Community initiatives (Jack Register, Dept. of Social Work)
* (2:00) Break
* (2:15) Rotating small group discussions on critical issues that can help us form the goals and objectives for LEARN: discussions on research, pedagogy, reducing heteronormativity in research, community-university partnerships, creating safe supportive campuses and communities, continuing professional education, and social change.
* (3:30) Large group sharing and identification of next steps
* (4:00) Networking reception

To reserve your seat please email Melanie Pringle at m\_pringl@uncg.edu (please indicate your name and affiliation). If you cannot come but want to be on our distribution list please let us know.

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