**Did you know that there’s a lack of robust data about cancer in the LGBTQI+ community? Do you feel that health research doesn’t represent your experiences? Are you interested in calling for more health research to involve LGBTQI+ people?**

LGBT Foundation and Vocal ([wearevocal.org](http://www.wearevocal.org)) are coming together to host conversations about LGBTQ+ cancer health inequalities and the lack of robust data related to the community.

We’re looking for people who are over 25 and LGBTQI+:

- With and without lived experience of cancer,

- Who care for or have cared for someone with cancer

- Who are happy to share their experiences, ideas and perspectives

**What to expect:**

We’re hosting creative workshops bringing community members and researchers together to have open discussions about cancer research.

You will:

* Have an opportunity to find out more about cancer research and health inequalities
* Be part of open conversations with researchers and other members of the community, where you can ask questions and share your perspectives on these topics
* Be involved in creative activities led by an experienced creative practitioner (no experience necessary)

As part of this, we want to create a zine and short videos to share the perspectives of LGBTQI+ people, call for more health research to involve the community and raise awareness of these issues in Greater Manchester and nationally. The zine and videos will be shared as part of a campaign taking place in September 2022.

Activities will be supported by local arts practitioner Ellie Page (www.elliepage.co.uk/) and videos will be collaboratively produced with Boca Films ([www.bocafilms.co.uk](http://www.bocafilms.co.uk)).

**When and where:**4th July 6pm-8pm. In person for participants of the LGBT Foundations QTIPOC programme and QTIPOC community members.

LGBT Foundation community space. Fairbairn House (2nd Floor), 72 Sackville Street, Manchester, M1 3NJ

**Filming:**For people interested in being part of the videos, we’re holding a filming session on the 11th of July. Please let us know if you’re interested and we can share more information.

**Payment:**

As a thank you for your time, all participants will receive a love2shop gift after the workshop once they have attended.

**Accessibility:**
We’re committed to making the space as inclusive and accessible as possible. We are eager to hear from anyone within the community. Particularly POC, trans and non-binary people and people with a disability.

Fairbairn House has step free access and a lift to the office/community space. The space also has gender neutral and disabled access bathrooms. If you require any other access needs or support please let us know in advance.

We will be able to reimburse reasonable travel expenses.

For more information and to take part please contact- tom.chew@lgbt.foundation

\*Vocal are an NHS organisation creating opportunities for people to find out about, and have a voice in, health research in Greater Manchester. To make a real difference to the future of health and research.