LGBT Pastoral Counseling Series
Los Angeles

Join us to develop skills in providing pastoral care to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Jews. This series offers a safe environment to learn, ask questions and get answers.

A light kosher dinner will be served 30 minutes before each event.

**Coming Out & Being a Strong Ally**
Wednesday, February 29 • 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Presented by: Rabbi Lisa Edwards & Invited Specialists
LOCATION: Congregation Beth Chayim Chadashim
This session emphasizes pastoral care for coming out processes for youth, for adults and for parents experiencing it with their children. It will also focus on the personal work needed to be an ally to LGBT people and communities, for both heterosexual-identified and LGBT-identified clergy.

**Marriage & Divorce - Part 1**
Sunday, March 11 • 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Presented by: Rabbi Elliot Dorff, Rabbi Denise Eger, Rabbi Arthur Gross-Schaefer
LOCATION: Congregation Kol Ami
This session focuses on the unique religious, civil, and legal aspects of pre-marital counseling, same-sex marriage and divorce.

**Gender Identity & Gender Transitions**
Sunday, March 25 • 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Presented by: Rabbi Aaron Alexander & Rabbi Elliot Kukla
LOCATION: Temple Beth Am
This session examines the pastoral care issues relating to gender identity and gender transitions.

**Illness & Mourning**
Sunday, April 1 • 5:00 - 6:30 PM
Presented by: Rabbi Anne Brener & Rabbi Rochelle Robins
LOCATION: Academy of Jewish Religion
This session focuses on how to assist LGBT people with illness, and those involved with grief and bereavement processes.

**Marriage & Divorce - Part 2**
Wednesday, April 18 • 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Presented by: Dr. Rachel Adler & Rabbi Dr. Aryeh Cohen
LOCATION: American Jewish University
This session explores alternatives to *kiddushin* and traditional *ketubot*.

**Please RSVP to** [kcotrill@huc.edu](mailto:kcotrill@huc.edu)

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