



# ANDORRA

## EDUCATION

With a lack of updates from the Ministry of Education, civil society is not aware of any progress the government made this year in reviewing the National Plan against Bullying. The review was originally planned for 2018.

The Ministry of Social Affairs conducted workshops on harassment and equality for high school students this year. The harassment workshop was for students in the third grade (15 year-olds) and the equality workshop was for fourth graders (16 year-olds). Civil society was not invited to participate, because the association was not created yet, and it is unknown if the workshops included LGBTI content.

In May, upon the request of parents of a trans child in a kindergarten, teachers in the facility were educated about gender identity in childhood in a training held by the Catalan Association of Parents with Trans\* Children, [Chrysallis](#).

## EQUALITY AND NON-DISCRIMINATION

On 15 February, in an effort to implement the [White Paper on Equality](#), launched in 2018, the government [adopted](#) legislation on equal treatment and non-discrimination, which provides protection for LGBTI people and other vulnerable groups.

The Law on the rights of children and adolescents was [amended](#) in February as well. The Law recognises the right to identity and establishes that trans children must be respected in their gender identity. It also sets out that children must be protected from discrimination on grounds of SOGIE.

On IDAHOT, 17 May, the Department of Equality organised a number of actions, including launching a short [film](#) entitled '#lovingdiversity', disseminating rainbow stickers, and making online information on sexual and gender diversity available.

## FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION

Andorra's new LGBTI group, [DiversAnd](#) was established in 2019. The new group was formed after Association Som com Som ended its work in 2018, after successful advocacy for the law on equal treatment and non-discrimination. DiversAnd focuses

on ensuring that the equality legislation is inclusive of SOGIE, preventing and addressing bullying, discrimination, and violence in schools; advocating for trans people's right to change their legal name and gender on their documents; and marriage equality. The group also works on increasing the visibility of LGBTI people and in June held the country's first Pride march in years.

## HEALTH

Thanks to advocacy by the trans community, trans people can from this year access trans healthcare at [Tànsit](#) in Barcelona. Previously, they could only go to Barnaclinic, a private section of the Clinic Hospital in Barcelona, and had to present proof of a psychiatric diagnosis in order to access care. Tànsit has staff specialising in trans healthcare and do not require a diagnosis. Although hormones are covered by the Andorra health insurance system, there are no trained medical professionals who trans people could consult. Therefore, they continue to face barriers in access, as they have to travel 200km to reach Barcelona.