**Navigating the discussion**

**Scenario 1**

You are presenting a lesson on human rights in the workplace, and discussing the grounds of protection, which include sexual orientation. A student in your class says, “It’s disgusting. I would never want to work with a gay person.” What would you do/say?

**Scenario 2**

You are talking about family types, and how some families are made up of two moms or two dads because same-sex marriage is legal in Canada. One of the students in your class says, “A pregnant woman told me that she is having a baby to give to two gay men. How does this work?” How could you handle this?

**Scenario 3**

In a module on family communication, you have prepared a lesson on difficult parent-child conversations. Among issues like “my child failed a class, my child is on drugs, my child is being bullied, my child wants to move back to our home country, my child won’t wear a hijab,” you include the topic “my child told me that she’s bisexual.” A student in the class says they would disown their child if they came home and said they were gay or bisexual, and that gays are killed to save family honour in their country of origin. What would you say to this student?

**Scenario 4**

You are giving a lesson on neighborhoods and community resources. You include information on services for LGBTQ+ individuals. A student comes up to you after class and discloses that they are gay, want to meet a partner, and would like some more information. What could you offer?

**Scenario 5**

You show a news video about a transgender woman who has been attacked in a local washroom. A female student says “I wouldn’t want a man in my bathroom. I wouldn’t feel safe.” How could you respond?

**Scenario 6**

You’re teaching a lesson on immigration history, and you include in the lesson that there has been an increase in refugee claimants coming to Canada because they have been attacked and threatened in their countries of origin because they’re gay. A student in your class says “They’re just looking for a way to get in to Canada. They really aren’t gay.” How could you address this?