



Transgender and Gender Non-Binary Healthcare and Inequities

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Objectives

Differentiate
between gender
identity and
sexual orientation

Be familiar with
gender and
transition related
terms

Understand
inequities in
health

Understand
barriers in
accessing
healthcare

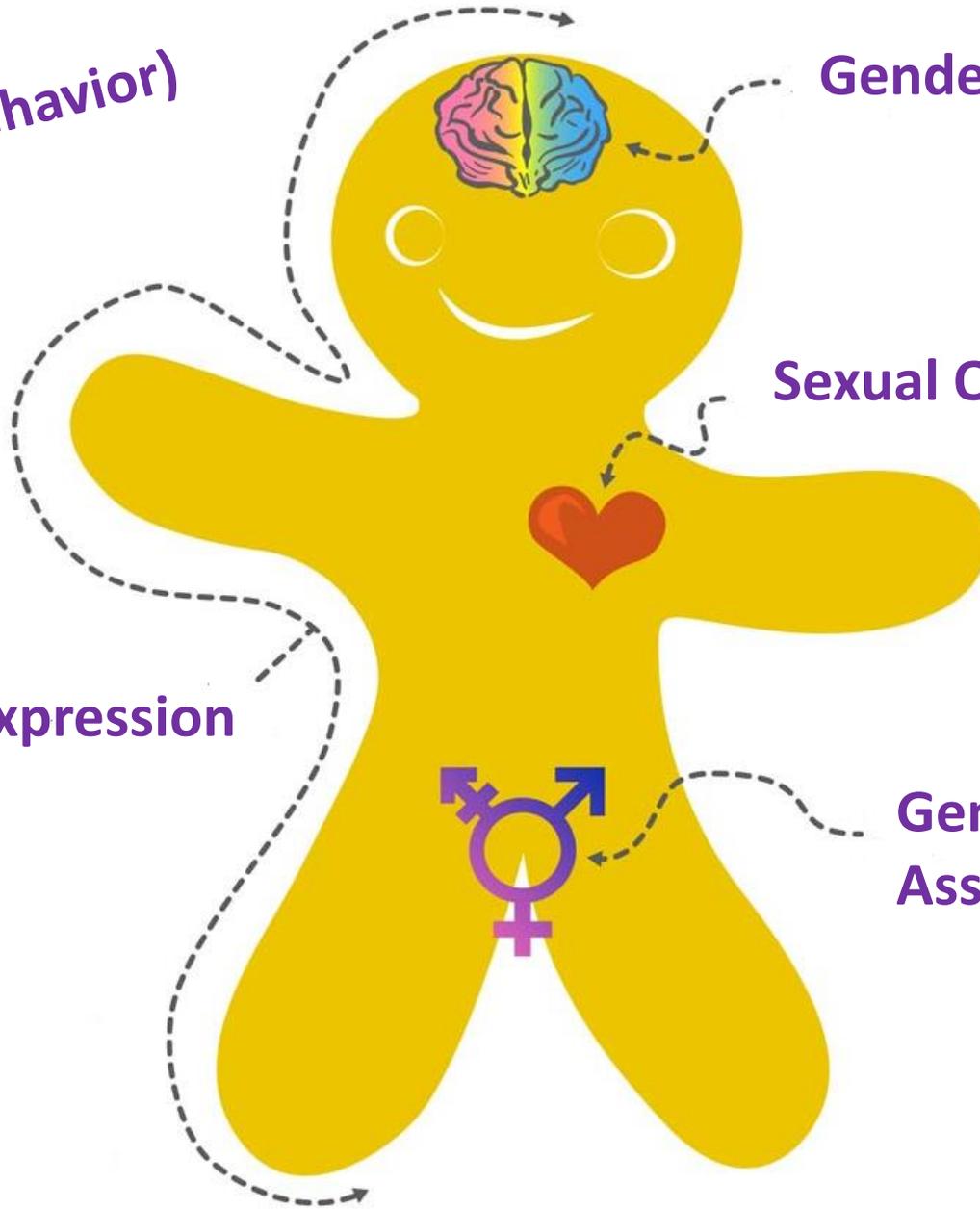
(Sexual Behavior)

Gender Identity

Sexual Orientation

Gender Expression

**Gender / Sex
Assigned at Birth**



1. Gender Confirmation Procedures and Care (also called Gender Affirming procedures)

A. 6 Umbrella term that refers to people who do not identify (exclusively or at all) as boys or girls / men or women.

2. Transition

B. 5 A young person whose assigned birth gender was male but who understands herself be female and desires to live her life as a girl, and later as a woman.

3. Cisgender Person

C. 2 This term is often used to describe the social and/or medical process of publicly living into one's true gender.

4. Transgender Boy / Man

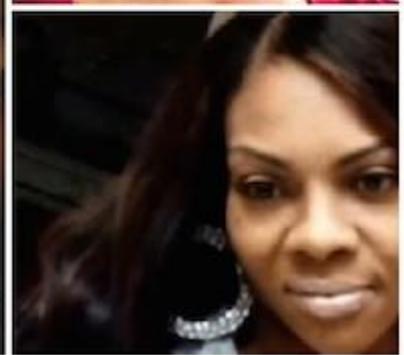
D. 3 An individual whose gender identity aligns with their birth-assigned sex.

5. Transgender Girl / Woman

E. 1 Medically-necessary procedures and surgeries that are performed in order to help people feel at home in their bodies.

6. Gender Non-Binary Person

F. 4 A young person whose assigned birth gender was female but who understands himself to be male and desires to live his life as a boy, and later as a man.



Oppression and Discrimination

63% of Trans folks experienced serious act of discrimination, including:

- Physical assault due to bias
- Sexual assault due to bias
- Homelessness because of gender identity/expression
- Lost relationship with partner or children due to gender identity/expression
- Denial of medical service due to bias

Oppression and Discrimination

63% of Trans folks experienced serious act of discrimination, including:

- Lost job due to bias
- Incarceration due to gender identity/expression
- Eviction due to bias
- School bullying/harassment so severe the respondent had to drop out
- Teacher bullying

Oppression and Discrimination

**23% of Trans folks
experienced at least three of
these major life-disrupting
events due to bias.**

Oppression and Discrimination

19%

OF TRANSGENDER PEOPLE REPORT LACKING ANY FORM OF HEALTH INSURANCE, INCLUDING MEDICAID

1 in 6
currently
unemployed

1 in 3
living in
poverty*



19%
have experienced
homelessness



Barriers to Accessing Care

TRANSGENDER AND GENDER NON-CONFORMING

PEOPLE EXPERIENCE
DIFFICULTY ACCESSING
SAFE AND INFORMED
HEALTHCARE, ACCORDING
TO THE NATIONAL
TRANSGENDER
DISCRIMINATION SURVEY

FIGURES VIA 2011 NATIONAL TRANSGENDER
DISCRIMINATION SURVEY



19
PERCENT

- Reported they were refused care because of their gender identity



28
PERCENT

- Reported they were subjected to harassment in medical settings



50
PERCENT

- Reported having to teach a medical professional about transgender healthcare

Barriers to Accessing Care

Because of fear of discrimination, **one-in-five** transgender people postponed or did not try to get health care in the past year.²

29%



of transgender people reported having to teach their health care provider about transgender health issues.²

42%

delayed seeking health care because they could not afford it

reported health conditions worsened because they postponed care

26%

Inequities in Health



HIV Infection



Substance Use Disorders



Mental Health Problems



Violence and Victimization

Inequities in Health

OVER
10%

OF TRANSGENDER PEOPLE REPORT
RECENTLY ATTEMPTING SUICIDE
(WITHIN THE PREVIOUS YEAR)
(BAUER ET AL., 2015a).

TRANS PEOPLE ARE

2x

MORE LIKELY TO THINK ABOUT
AND ATTEMPT SUICIDE THAN
LESBIAN, GAY OR BISEXUAL
PEOPLE (IRWIN ET AL., 2014).

22% to 43%

OF TRANSGENDER PEOPLE HAVE
ATTEMPTED SUICIDE IN THEIR
LIFETIME (BAUER ET AL., 2015b).

2/3

OF TRANS YOUTH REPORT
RECENT SELF-HARM (WITHIN
THE PREVIOUS YEAR) (VEALE
ET AL., 2015)

Importance in Accessing Care

WHEN TRANS PEOPLE GET THE CARE THEY NEED



OVERALL MENTAL
HEALTH IMPROVES

+



SUICIDE RATES
DROP DRASTICALLY

+



MEDICAID MONEY
IS SAVED

Importance in Accessing Care



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