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# Learning Objectives

By the end of this webinar, participants will be able to:

- Describe LGBT population terms, concepts, and health disparities
- Explain the intersection between LGBT and Asian American cultures and its impact on health care
- Describe lessons learned from Asian Health Services' process to increase organizational LGBT cultural competence



# Disparities Among AA&NHOPIs

- Lack of access to regular care
- Less satisfaction with care
- Few preventive services
- Poorer quality care
- Higher disease incidence



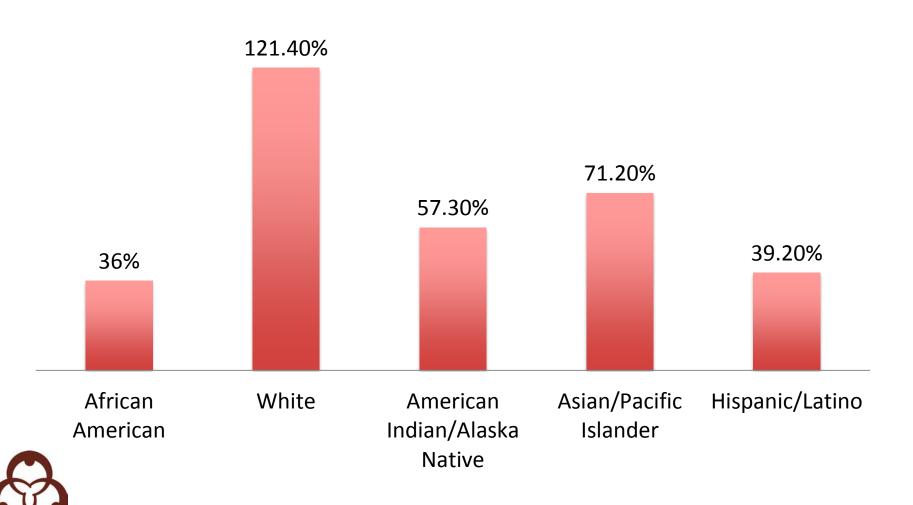
# **AAPCHO** Demographics

- 35 Members
- 430,892 Total Patients Served in 2012
- 88.6% Patients at or below 200% FPL



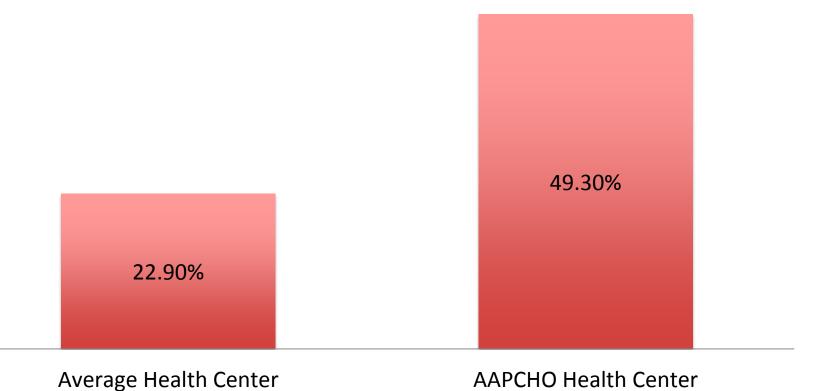


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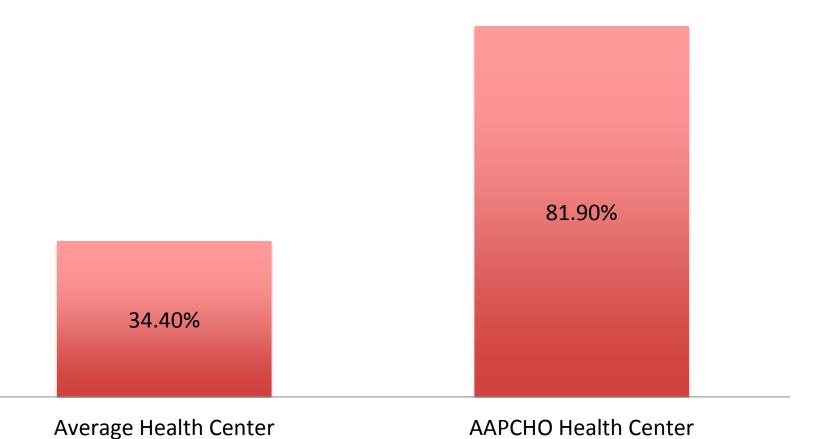


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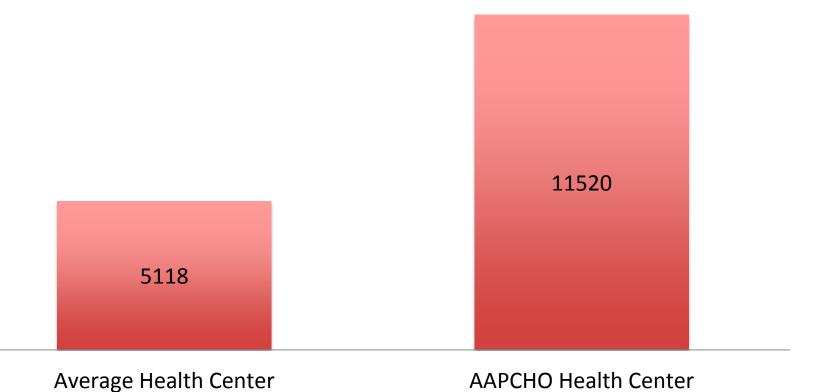
# Patients Best Served in language other than English



# Non-White Patients Served at Health Center



# **Average Enabling Services Encounters**



# TA/Training Goals

- Better Data: Representative, Disaggregated, and accommodating of small sample size
- Culture and Language Access: Standardization of Quality Assurance and Improvement measures/benchmarks



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# Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Concepts and Demographics

#### Kevin L. Ard, MD, MPH

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# Sexual orientation ≠ gender identity

All people have a sexual orientation and gender identity

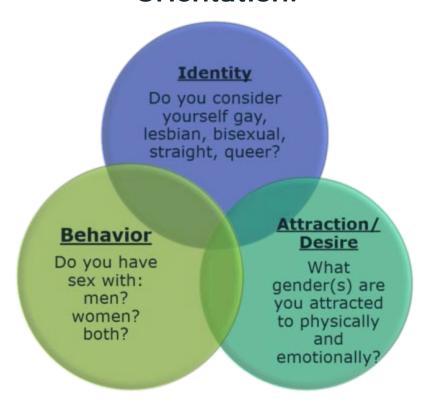
- How people identify can change over time
- Terminology varies





## What is sexual orientation?

# Dimensions of Sexual Orientation:





# Attraction ≠ behavior ≠ identity

Same sex attraction and behavior are more common than LGB identity (1):

SAME-SEX ATTRACTION		SAME-SEX BEHAVIOR		GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL	
MEN	WOMEN	MEN	WOMEN	MEN	WOMEN
1.75	3.5	1.5	2.75	1.0	1.0

• NYC: 73% of MSM identified as heterosexual. Compared to gay-identified MSM, these MSM were more likely to be married, foreign-born, of lower socioecomonic status, and of minority race (2).



- 1. Mosher WD, et al. Sexual behavior and selected health measures: men and women 15-44 years of age, United States, 2002. Advance Data; 2005:362.
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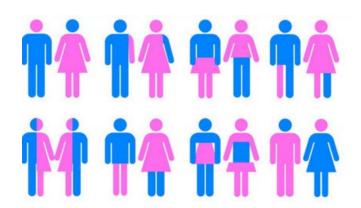
# The B in LGBT: What is bisexuality?

• One definition: "People who acknowledge the potential to be attracted, romantically and/or sexually, to people of more than one sex and/or gender, not necessarily at the same time, not necessarily in the same way, and not necessarily to the same degree."

- Robyn Ochs

# What is gender identity?

- Gender identity
  - A person's internal sense of their gender (does one feel male, female, both, neither?)
  - All people have a gender identity.
- Gender expression
  - How one externally manifests one's gender identity, through behavior, mannerisms, speech, dress, and hairstyles



# The T in LGBT: Transgender

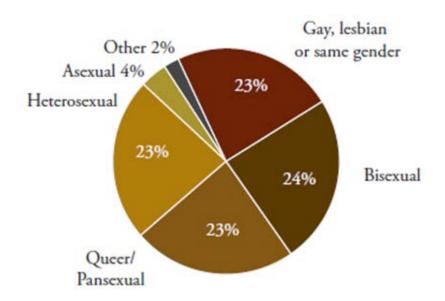


- Transgender
  - Umbrella term
  - Gender identity not congruent with the assigned sex at birth
  - Alternate terminology
    - Transgender woman, trans woman, male-to-female (MTF)
    - Transgender man, trans man, female-to-male (FTM)
- Gender dysphoria
  - DSM V diagnosis applicable to people who experience distress at the incongruence between their gender identity and the sex they were assigned at birth.



# The T in LGBT: Transgender

- Gender affirmation process by which individuals are affirmed in their gender identity
  - Social
  - Medical
  - Legal
- Transgender people can be of any sexual orientation
- Cisgender = non-transgender



# Polling Question: The number of Americans who identify as LGBT is closest to the population of which state?

- a) Wyoming (600,000)
- b) Iowa (3 million)
- c) Ohio (11 million)
- d) California (38 million)



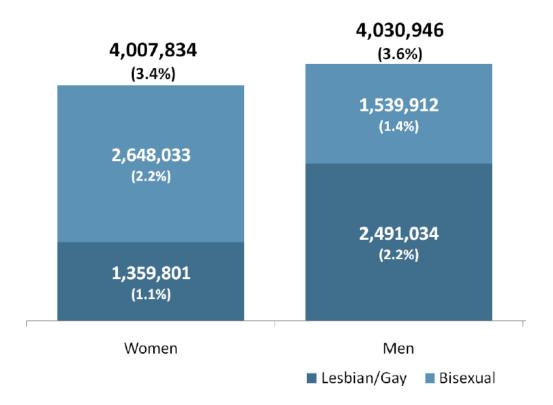
# How many people identify as LGB?

- 3.5% (Gates, 2011)
  - 4.3% of Asian-Americans identify as LGBT (Gates, 2012)
- 8.2% report same-sex sexual contact

7.5-11% report same-sex attraction

# How many people identify as bisexual?

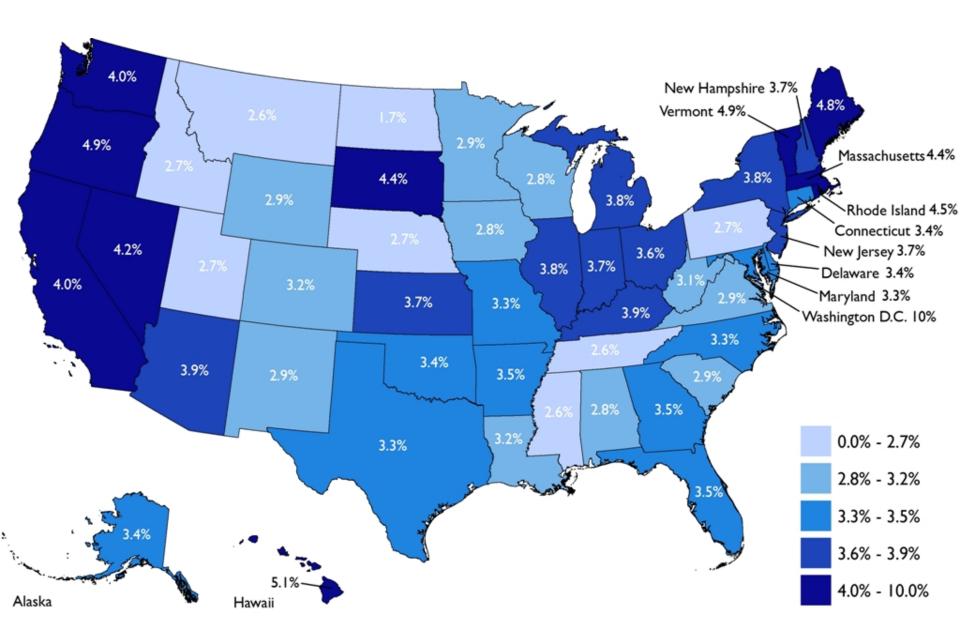
 Overall, more people identify as bisexual than as gay/lesbian, but there is a gender difference.





# Transgender people in the US

- Population-based studies are limited
- Massachusetts Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey (2007, 2009)
  - 0.5% of population between ages 18-64
- California LGBT Tobacco Survey
  - 0.1% of adult population
- U.S. estimate from the Williams Institute
  - 0.3% of adults
  - Approximately ~700,000 people

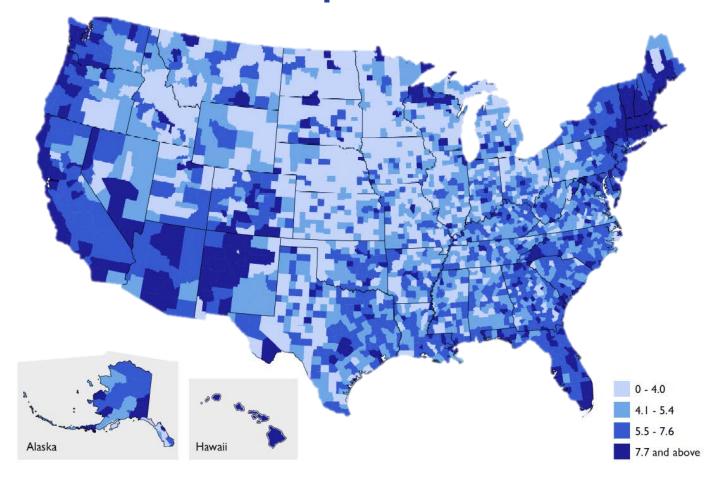




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# Same-Sex families per 1,000 households





# Stigma and discrimination



health disparities



# Multiple health disparities affect LGBT populations

DISPARITY	POPULATIONS AFFECTED		
Limited health care access			
Sexual assault			
Smoking, drug use			
Depression			
HIV/STIs			
Cancer screening			
Overweight/obesity			

### Take-home points

- Sexual orientation and gender identity are distinct concepts.
- Sexual orientation consists of identity, behavior, and attraction; these dimensions may not overlap in a given individual.
- ~3.5% of Americans identify as LGB; ~0.3% of Americans identify as transgender.
- LGBT populations are affected by health disparities, many of which stem from stigma.

# **Experiences with LGBT Asian Americans in Care**

Kevin Shi, PA-C

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#### LGBT Asian Americans

- Often, seeping generalizations of the diversity of API communities
- LGBT API individuals exist at a unique intersection of identities
  - Racism vs.Homophobia/Transphobia
- Where the intersection lies for the patient matters!



#### **Considerations with Patients**

- Shame
  - Are they out?
  - Are they comfortable talking about sex?
  - Are they comfortable negotiating power dynamics in sexual behavior?
- Is their family supportive?

### Stragtegies



- Partner with community organizations
  - Queer Asian Pacific Islander
     Alliance (QAPA) <u>www.qapa.org</u>
  - Massachusetts Asian and Pacific Islanders (MAP for Health) <u>www.mapforhealth.org</u>
- Create a space where the patient's complete self is celebrated





# The Experience of Improving Care for LGBTQ Patients at an API Community Health Center

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#### Learning Objectives

Background about Asian Health Services and the Oakland community

Share our experiences around improving LGBTQ services

Discuss keypoints and challenges



#### Who we are

**Asian Health Services** 

6 sites: including Oakland High School, Laney College, Teen Clinic

**Languages served:** 

English and eleven Asian languages including Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, Tagalog, Lao, Mien, Khmer, Karen, Mongolian and Burmese









# Oakland

**Alameda County** 

Population: 400,000

#### LGBTQ population

- More lesbian couples per capita than any other major US city
- 3rd in gay/lesbian headed households in the nation





# Background

- Medium size organization
- Not LGBTQ specific clinic
- Immigrant population
- Low-income
- Uninsured, Medicaid, Medicare
- Monolingual
- Small (unknown?) LGBTQ population



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#### LGBT Inservice-2009







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Panel: gay physician, Helen Zia, gay youth, parent of LGBTQ youth

Moderated, language-specific small group

**Post survey** 



### AHS LGBTQ Alliance

**Mission statement** 

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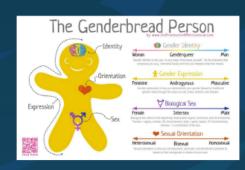
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**Transgender Cultural Competency Talk** 

**Presentation to Management Team: 2012** 





#### Mission Statement

The Asian Health Services LGBTQ Alliance promotes education, understanding and advocacy to foster a safe and supportive environment for all AHS lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and questioning patients and staff.

The LGBTQ Aliance is composed of LGBTQ and allies and welcomes those who wish to join us as we strive for equality and justice for all members of our community.



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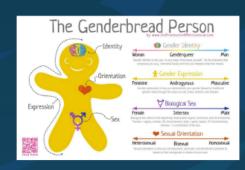
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#### Patient Specific Initiatives

**Transgender/HIV Care Team** 

HIV Program
STI testing
HIV patients
PrEP

Transgender/HIV Care Team

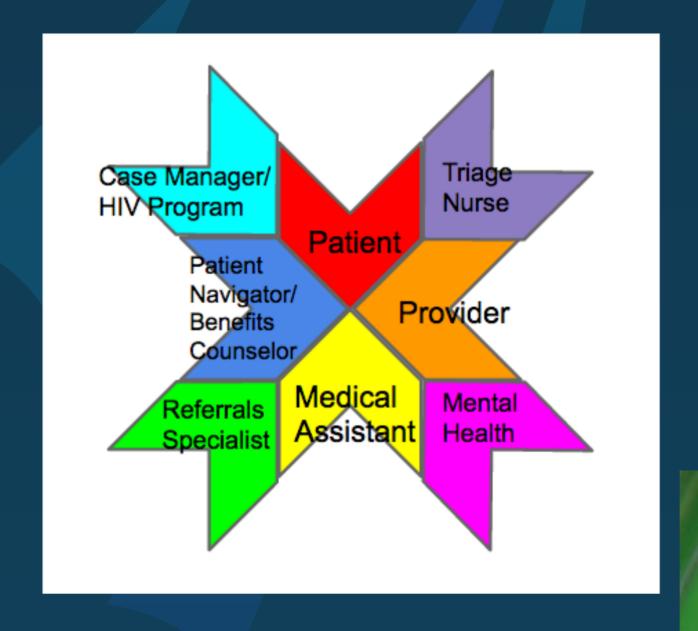








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### Keypoints

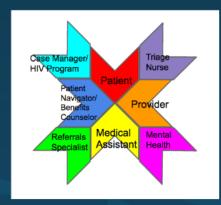


#### LGBTQ Alliance

- you're not alone!
- can function task force
- presence within agency

#### Demonstration Projects

- start small, expand as needed
- · easier to obtain buy-in
- easier to create change



#### Patient Care Team

- clinical
- customized, wrap-around care
- less staff to train
- · guarantee clinic experience



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#### 3 Continuing Challenges



- invisible population
- electronic health record: who collects data, what data to collect, terms

#### Language and Culture



- key terms in language
- MD for pt's whole family



- not a niche population
- medicine's culture of specializing
- sexual history training for providers



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#### Why is this important?

- Importance of having an LGBTQ friendly provider
- Lack of access for LGBTQ patients
- LGBTQ patients may be invisible, but they are present
- API clinics are especially skilled in cultural competency
- Opportunity to bring API and LGBTQ community together

LGBT friendly provider

Lack of Access

Invisible

Cultural Competency

API vs LGBTQ

