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# EXPERIENCES OF LGBTQ+ YOUTH

DISPARITIES + PROTECTIVE FACTORS & BEST PRACTICES  
TO INCREASE POSITIVE OUTCOMES IN SYSTEMS OF CARE



## AT LEAST 40% OF YOUTH EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS ARE LGBTQ+

TRANSGENDER AND NONBINARY YOUTH HAVE THE RIGHT TO ACCESS GENDER-SEGREGATED FACILITIES THAT CORRESPOND TO THEIR GENDER IDENTITY. ENSURE INTAKE FORMS AND PROCESS FACTOR THIS IN.

Chapin Hill

William's Institute

## 78%+ OF LGBTQ+ YOUTH EXPERIENCED DISCRIMINATION IN THE PAST YEAR

TRAINED AND COACHING SHOULD BE CONDUCTED FOR ALL STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS ON THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF LGBTQ+ YOUTH AND HOW TO IMPLEMENT AFFIRMING PRACTICES.



## 30%+ OF YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE ARE LGBTQ+

SCREENING OF ALL CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE FOSTER CAREGIVERS SHOULD ASSESS FOR THEIR WILLINGNESS AND CAPACITY TO SUPPORT LGBTQ+ YOUTH, REGARDLESS OF THEIR PLACEMENT PREFERENCES.

Pediatrics

Irvine et al.

## AT LEAST 20% OF ADJUDICATED YOUTH ARE LGBTQ+

PLANNING FOR RE-ENTRY AND DIVERSION SHOULD CONSIDER CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES WHICH AFFIRM A YOUTH'S SOGIE



## NEARLY 50%+ OF CSEC ARE LGBTQ+

IMPROVING IDENTIFICATION AND SCREENING BY INCORPORATING TRAFFICKING SCREENINGS INTO INTAKE PROCESSES FOR YOUTH OF ALL GENDERS CAN COUNTER THE SHAME AND STIGMA OF DISCLOSING.

NCYL

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## OVER 85% OF YOUTH IN SCHOOLS REPORT SOGIE-BASED BULLYING OR HARASSMENT

DEVELOPING INCLUSIVE CURRICULUM THAT INCLUDES POSITIVE IMAGES OF LGBTQ+ INDIVIDUALS, HISTORY, AND EVENTS CAN INCREASE YOUTH'S SENSE OF CONNECTEDNESS.



## LGBTQ+ YOUTH ARE MORE THAN 4X AS LIKELY TO ATTEMPT SUICIDE THAN THEIR PEERS

HAVING AT LEAST ONE ACCEPTING ADULT CAN REDUCE THE RISK OF A SUICIDE ATTEMPT AMONG LGBTQ YOUNG PEOPLE BY 40%

Trevor Project

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## OVER 45% OF LGBTQ+ YOUTH HAVE EXPERIENCED IPV

MODELING INCLUSIVE, GENDER-NEUTRAL LANGUAGE WHEN ASKING ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS AND NOT ASSUMING THE SOGIE OF PARTNERS MAY INCREASE A YOUTH'S LIKELIHOOD TO DISCLOSE.



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