WHAT MAKES A COMMUNITY?

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WHO IS WHAT?
Percentage of LGBT Population, by state (Source: Gallup, 2013)
Over 1 in 10 public high school students, approximately 4,700 students, in the state identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, or questioning. Between 2011 and 2015, 88.7% of Hawai‘i high school students identified as heterosexual, 2.2% gay or lesbian, 5.2% bisexual, and 3.8% as questioning. Questioning youth are more likely to be in lower grades compared to LGB and heterosexual students. A higher proportion of youth identifying as LGB are girls. LGB and questioning high school students in Hawai‘i are racially diverse. Fewer than 1 in 5 LGB students are Caucasian, compared to over 1 in 5 who are Filipino and 1 in 4 who are Native Hawaiian.
1 IN 3 LGB YOUTH CURRENTLY USE MARIJUANA.
(IN THE PAST MONTH)

1 IN 10 LGB YOUTH EVER INJECTED ILLICIT DRUGS.

1 IN 4 LGB YOUTH EVER USED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.
(WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION)

CURRENTLY SMOKE CIGARETTES (IN THE PAST MONTH)

- HETEROSEXUAL: 8%
- QUESTIONING: 14%
- LGB: 24%

ALMOST 1 IN 3 LGB YOUTH CURRENTLY USE ELECTRONIC VAPING PRODUCTS.
(IN THE PAST MONTH)

43% LGB VS 26% OF HETEROSEXUAL YOUTH ARE AT INCREASED RISK FOR ALCOHOL AND DRUG DEPENDENCY.

LGB YOUTH ARE 2X MORE LIKELY TO Binge Drink COMARED TO HETEROSEXUAL YOUTH.

CURRENTLY BINGE DRINK

- 10% HETEROSEXUAL
- 14% QUESTIONING
- 20% LGB

(4+ DRINKS ON AT LEAST ONE OCCASION FOR GIRLS, 5+ DRINKS FOR BOYS).

5 OF 10 HETEROSEXUAL VS 3 OF 10 LGB YOUTH USED A CONDOM DURING THEIR LAST SEXUAL ENCOUNTER.

CURRENTLY DRINK ALCOHOL (IN THE PAST MONTH)

- 45% LGB
- 27% QUESTIONING
- 25% HETEROSEXUAL
YOUTH MSM IN HAWAII

1 out of 2
No condom last sexual encounter

1 out of 20
Ever injected illicit drugs

1 out of 2
Ever abused RX drugs

CDC RECOMMENDATIONS

Viral Hepatitis And Men Who Have Sex with Men

Key Facts about Viral Hepatitis in Men Who Have Sex with Men (MSM)

- Among adults, an estimated 10% of new Hepatitis A cases and 20% of new Hepatitis B cases occur in MSM.
- MSM are at increased risk for Hepatitis C if they are involved in high-risk behaviors.
- There is no vaccine for Hepatitis C and testing for Hepatitis C is not recommended for MSM unless they were born from 1945 through 1965, have HIV, or are engaging in risky behaviors. The best way to prevent Hepatitis C is by avoiding behaviors that can spread the disease, especially sharing needles or other equipment to inject drugs.

Hepatitis A and Hepatitis B Vaccine Recommendation for Men Who Have Sex with Men

CDC and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommend Hepatitis A and Hepatitis B vaccination for MSM.
OUTREACH AT PRIDE
IS
EVERYBODY
HERE?
HEALTH DISPARITIES FOR LGBT

Adapted from IOM 2011: The Health of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender People
WHAT DO WE SHARE?
IDENTITY

**Sexual Orientation**
- Whom you are physically and emotionally attracted to
- Whom you have sex with
- How you identify your sexuality

**Gender Identity**
- What your internal sense tells you your gender is

**Sex**
- Refers to the presence of specific anatomy. Also may be referred to as ‘Assigned Sex at Birth’

**Gender Expression**
- How you present your gender to society through clothing, mannerisms, etc.
FAMILY
**LANGUAGE**

**Fish**- feminine, lady-like, or girly

**P**- anything pretty to perfect

**Gorge**- short for gorgeous, or fabulous

**Mug**- refers to face, or make-up. Can also be used when referring to sex-work

**Sickening, Lovely, Ova, Flawless**- a compliment

**Back**- a term of agreement

**T**- could be used as a way to address friends, or meaning TRUTH
HOW DO YOU DO IT?
BARRIERS TO SERVICE

Being judged
Not being understood
I deserve it...
Not being addressed as they present
Myths
Limited access
Uninsured
Stigma & Shame
Guilt by association
Money
TIPS ON PROVIDING SERVICE...

Providing a safe place
Addressing them by preferred name and gender
Focus on the clients need
Provide Support
Hire “local” GLBT staff member
One-on-One counseling - LISTEN