# HEALTHCARE EQUALITY INDEX

**Creating a National Standard for Equal Treatment of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Patients and Their Families** 



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#### LETTER FROM HRC FOUNDATION PRESIDENT JOE SOLMONESE AND GLMA PRESIDENT JASON SCHNEIDER



ar too often, lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people seeking to visit their loved ones in the hospital or honor the healthcare wishes of their partners are at the mercy of a patchwork of differing state laws and facility policies.

In a few states, same-sex couples enjoy statewide recognition. But in many more, they are strangers in the eyes of the law.

The Healthcare Equality Index aims to educate healthcare policymakers and LGBT healthcare consumers to get rid of barriers and biases that keep us from taking care of ourselves and each other.

This year, 166 facilities across the country participated in the HEI report — nearly double the number from the year before — including several large healthcare networks and, for the first time, both hospitals *and* clinics. This is the third edition of the report, an annual joint project of the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association and the Human Rights Campaign Foundation Family Project.

It focuses on five key policy areas — patient non-discrimination, visitation, decision-making, cultural competency training and employment policies and benefits — to try to identify emerging best practices and policies related to equal treatment of the LGBT community.

The report found that facilities *are* implementing these best practices — nearly 75 percent of them protect their patients from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. Further, nearly all of the facilities extend these protections to their employees.

But we also identified a serious gap — less than 7 percent of participants protect patients from discrimination based on their gender identity or expression. These insufficient facility policies as well

as unequal state laws are rigid barriers to LGBT healthcare equality.

Fortunately, there are signs of hope. In November 2008, the Joint Commission, which accredits more than 15,000 healthcare organizations, invited the executive director of GLMA to serve on an advisory panel to develop standards for culturally competent care, including the issues of greatest concern to the LGBT community. Additionally, the Obama administration has started the process of repealing the Department of Health and Human Services' rules on "provider conscience" — eliminating the potential to impair LGBT patients' access to basic healthcare services. And in March, HRC, along with other LGBT organizations, took part in the Obama administration's White House Forum on Health Reform.

Our goal is to identify emerging best practices and share them with healthcare industry leaders. Whether you're a member of the LGBT community, a healthcare industry leader or a concerned ally, we hope you find this information useful.

We thank the many healthcare professionals who have participated in this project. Their involvement is laying the groundwork for a healthier tomorrow.

Sincerely,

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## METHODOLOGY AND CRITERIA

The Healthcare Equality Index is an annual survey of healthcare industry policies and practices related to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals and their families. The goals of the HEI are: 1) to benchmark healthcare facilities on identified best practices and policies with respect to equal treatment of LGBT individuals and families; and 2) to share, implement and recognize these best practices with healthcare industry leaders.

The HEI survey serves as a benchmarking tool through which these best practices and policies are identified. The HEI report is one of the many ways we engage with healthcare industry leaders and healthcare consumers to share and recognize these best practices.

Specifically, the index addresses basic components of the healthcare experiences of LGBT people, including patient non-discrimination and visitation policies; recognition of legal documents between same-sex partners that outline medical decision-making and guardianship rights; and the protection of LGBT employees through fair employment policies.

#### **HEALTHCARE EQUALITY INDEX SURVEY METHODOLOGY**

Invitations to complete the Healthcare Equality Index 2009 survey (**Appendix D**) were sent to facility contacts nationwide in October 2008. If a facility had previously participated in the HEI, the survey was sent to the individuals responsible for the previous submission. If a facility had not previously participated in the HEI, the survey was sent to contacts found through research by HEI project staff; generally, these contacts were the facility's chief administrative officer, a human resources professional or a marketing/communications representative.

Participating facilities submitted their responses through an online survey. Staff members from the HRC Foundation Family Project and the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association provided additional assistance and advice throughout the process.

The survey responses in this report represent the policies for 166 facilities in 17 states and the District of Columbia. Thirty of those participants submitted surveys for their individual facilities. The balance of the survey data comes from eight networks that submitted surveys covering a total of 136 facilities.

Healthcare networks participating in this year's survey (**Appendix C**) include the Cleveland Clinic Foundation (8 facilities), the Kaiser Permanente Network (31), Legacy Health System (21), Multnomah County Health Department (7), Planned Parenthood of Greater Iowa (18), Scripps Health Network (23), University Hospitals (10) and University of Michigan Network (18).

A list of HEI 2009 survey participants by facility name appears in Appendix A.



#### **HEALTHCARE EQUALITY INDEX CRITERIA**

The Healthcare Equality Index 2009 survey (Appendix D) included 31 questions, 11 of which pertain to LGBT-specific policy categories and are represented in this report. The remaining questions were included for informational purposes only. The Healthcare Equality Index focuses on the following five policy categories:

#### 1. PATIENT NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICIES

- a. Patients' Bill of Rights and/or non-discrimination policy includes "sexual orientation"
- b. Patients' Bill of Rights and/or non-discrimination policy includes "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity"

#### 2. VISITATION POLICIES

- a. Visitation policies allow same-sex partners/spouses the same visitation access as opposite-sex spouses and next of kin
- b. Visitation policies allow same-sex parents the same visitation access as opposite-sex parents for their minor children

#### 3. DECISION-MAKING POLICIES

- a. Recognize advance healthcare directives allowing same-sex partners/spouses decision-making authority for their partner/spouse under care
- b. Written policy allows same-sex parents the same rights as opposite-sex parents for medical decision-making for their minor children\*

#### 4. CULTURAL COMPETENCY TRAINING AND CLIENT SERVICES

- a. Provide cultural competency training addressing sexual orientation and healthcare issues relevant to lesbian, gay and bisexual community
- b. Provide cultural competency training addressing gender identity and healthcare issues relevant to transgender community

#### 5. EMPLOYMENT POLICIES AND BENEFITS

- a. Equal employment opportunity policy includes "sexual orientation"
- b. Equal employment opportunity policy includes "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity"
- c. Domestic partner health insurance benefits are offered

<sup>\*</sup> See Note on Decision-Making Rights of Same-Sex Parents, page 4

## METHODOLOGY AND CRITERIA

#### **HEALTHCARE EQUALITY INDEX: CHANGES FROM 2008**

#### **Expanded Participation to Clinics**

For the Healthcare Equality Index 2009, participation was open to the full range of healthcare agencies and, as a result, expanded to include healthcare clinics as well as hospitals. Of the 166 facilities represented, 93 are hospitals and 73 are clinics. This resulted in certain questions being "not applicable" to a number of participants. For example, if a clinic does not provide inpatient services, it answered "not applicable" to our questions on visitation policies. If a clinic only treats adults, our question on visitation access for same-sex parents does not apply.

#### **Documentation Required**

This year, documentation was required for all answers indicating an inclusive policy. This higher level of scrutiny has resulted in a clearer picture of how facilities are (or are not) ensuring equal treatment of the LGBT community within their policies. For more information on a specific policy, see the appropriate policy in **Findings**.

#### Note on Decision-Making Rights of Same-Sex Parents

Upon review of the surveys submitted, we have made the decision not to report the answers to question 13 (Criteria 3b): decision-making rights of same-sex parents. We have resolved to provide resources such as model policies and guidance before we will rate participants on this issue. Therefore, the findings section and appendices of this report only show responses to the other 10 criteria outlined on page 6. For more information, see Same-Sex Parents and Consent for Treatment of a Minor.

#### **Cultural Competency Training**

In previous iterations of the HEI survey, we asked: "Does your hospital provide any diversity or cultural competency training to personnel addressing the unique issues related to LGBT patients and their families?" To clarify our data on cultural competency training, this question was separated into two separate questions (one focusing on healthcare issues related to sexual orientation and the other focusing on healthcare issues related to gender identity). For more information, see **Cultural Competency Training**.

#### **Residential and Inpatient Services**

A new section covering residential services was added to the HEI 2009 survey. These questions focus on access to jointly occupied rooms for same-sex partners/spouses and guidelines for room accommodations for transgender patients. Only one facility reported providing long-term residential facilities in which couples are permitted to jointly occupy rooms. This facility did report allowing same-sex partners/spouses the same access to jointly occupied rooms as opposite-sex partners/spouses. More information will be provided on residential policies as participation among facilities offering these services increases. The questions are included in the full HEI 2009 survey text (Appendix D).

#### **Data Collection Policies**

In addition to questions related to the main criteria discussed in this report, the HEI survey asked facilities for information on their data collection policies related to the LGBT community. These questions focus on intake forms and data collection systems. The responses to these questions are listed in aggregate form this year. For more information, see **Data Collection Policies**.

## **FINDINGS**

A total of 166 facilities are represented in the HEI 2009 survey, up from 88 in 2008. Ninety-three of the participating facilities are hospitals; 73 are clinics. Fifty-three facilities also participated in the HEI 2008 survey; the remaining 113 facilities participated for the first time this year.

Ten of these facilities responded "yes" to each of the 10 questions which applied to them. These 10 facilities are listed below.

Brigham and Women's Hospital	Boston, MA
<b>Callen-Lorde Community Health Center</b>	New York, NY
<b>Chase Brexton Health Services</b>	Baltimore, MD
Faulkner Hospital	Boston, MA
Group Health Central Hospital	Seattle, WA
Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates	Boston, MA
L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center	Los Angeles, CA
Lyon-Martin Health Services	San Francisco, CA
<b>Rush University Medical Center</b>	Chicago, IL
<b>UCSF Medical Center</b>	San Francisco, CA

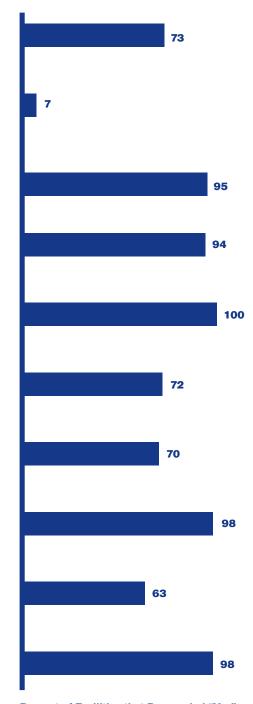
It should not be assumed that the responses in this report translate into percentages that reflect the entire U.S. healthcare industry. (The American Hospital Association lists over 6,000 hospitals in the U.S., of which our 93 participating hospitals are a small fraction.) Rather, these survey results can be seen as benchmarks indicating the number of participating facilities or networks that have reported having a particular policy.

Many facilities welcome the concept of the HEI but prefer to improve their policies before submitting a response to the survey. The Human Rights Campaign Foundation and the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association expect that in each subsequent year, a greater number of facilities nationwide will participate in the HEI survey as a routine measure of their performance.

The complete list of participating facilities and their responses to the HEI 2009 survey appears in Appendix A.

#### **OVERVIEW OF FINDINGS BY CRITERION**

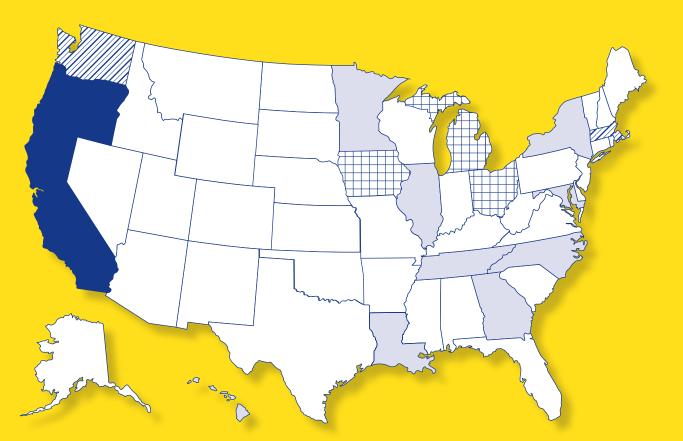
- 1a "Sexual Orientation" in Patients' Bill of Rights and/or Patient Non-Discrimination Policy
- **1b** "Gender Identity" in Patients' Bill of Rights and/or Patient Non-Discrimination Policy
- 2a Equal Visitation Access for Same-Sex Partners/Spouses
- **2b** Equal Visitation Access for Same-Sex Parents
- **3a** Recognizes Advance Healthcare Directives Between Same-Sex Partners/Spouses
- 4a Cultural Competency Training on Sexual Orientation
- 4b Cultural Competency Training on Gender Identity
- 5a "Sexual Orientation" in Employment Non-Discrimination Policy
- **5b** "Gender Identity" in Employment Non-Discrimination Policy
- **5c** Domestic Partner Health Benefits



Percent of Facilities that Responded "Yes" to each criterion, if applicable.

# NUMBER OF HEALTHCARE EQUALITY INDEX 2009 PARTICIPANTS BY STATE

This year's results include facilities from 17 states and the District of Columbia. California had the most participants with 60 facilities. Other states with higher numbers of participants include Oregon (25 facilities), Michigan (19), Iowa (18) and Ohio (18).











A complete list of HEI 2009 participants by state appears in Appendix B.

## **FINDINGS**

#### PATIENT NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICIES

Implementing a patient non-discrimination policy that includes both "sexual orientation" and "gender identity or expression" is a crucial step in ensuring fair and equitable treatment for LGBT patients.

**SEXUAL ORIENTATION** is the preferred term used when referring to an individual's physical and/or emotional attraction to the same and/or opposite gender. "Heterosexual," "bisexual" and "homosexual" are all sexual orientations. A person's sexual orientation is distinct from a person's gender identity and expression.

**GENDER IDENTITY,** distinct from the term "sexual orientation," refers to a person's innate, deeply felt psychological identification as male or female, which may or may not correspond to the person's body or assigned sex at birth (meaning what sex was originally listed on a person's birth certificate).

**GENDER EXPRESSION** refers to all of the external characteristics and behaviors that are socially defined as either masculine or feminine, such as dress, grooming, mannerisms, speech patterns and social interactions. Social or cultural norms can vary widely and some characteristics that may be accepted as masculine, feminine or neutral in one culture may not be assessed similarly in another.

LGBT adults often cite a fear of discrimination as a reason why they do not discuss their sexual orientation or gender identity with their healthcare providers. This can result in patients failing to notify their healthcare providers of crucial information related to their healthcare needs. For example, in 2004, 20 percent of LGBT Americans withheld information related to their sexual practices from their doctor or healthcare professional (compared to 6 percent of non-LGBT adults who reported withholding this information).<sup>1</sup>

When LGBT-inclusive non-discrimination policies are made visible within the healthcare facility, it fosters a welcoming environment for LGBT patients. It eliminates these barriers to open communication and helps healthcare professionals provide better-quality care.

Facilities that do not fulfill Criteria 1a and 1b either have general statements in their Patients' Bill of Rights or non-discrimination policies that do not enumerate any class of persons, or they do enumerate protected classes (such as race, sex or religion), but fail to include sexual orientation and gender identity among these.

The results below indicate a drastic disparity between the number of policies inclusive of sexual orientation and those inclusive of gender identity. Less than 7 percent of participating facilities protect patients from discrimination based on gender identity, while nearly three-quarters of participants provide these protections

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Witeck-Combs Communications/Harris Interactive



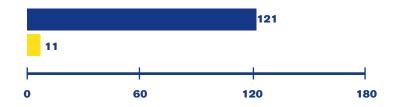
based on sexual orientation. Transgender Americans face healthcare discrimination every day and in many forms — from denial of healthcare access to stigmatization by medical staff.<sup>2</sup> For example, a 2008 survey of transgender veterans showed that one in 10 was turned away from the Veterans Administration because of their transgender identity, and one in five experienced discrimination from VA doctors.<sup>3</sup> This study also showed that a lack of formal policies allows for the inconsistent provision of healthcare services and information to transgender veterans by providers within the VA.

Research shows that bias against the entire LGBT community spreads across the medical profession.<sup>4</sup> When addressing this bias through policies, it is best to leave as little as possible to interpretation of staff members by explicitly including reference to the LGBT community. Enumerating protected classes in non-discrimination policies (as well as in other policies aimed at ensuring the health and safety of all, such as anti-bullying policies) is a well-established practice. Leading medical associations such as the American Medical Association, California Medical Association and American Academy of Family Physicians have adopted policies that prohibit discrimination against the LGBT community by including the terms "sexual orientation" and "gender identity."

For more information on patient non-discrimination policies, including model policy language: www.hrc.org/issues/8321.htm.

#### Criterion 1a, 1b - Number of Facilities that Responded "Yes"

- Patients' Bill of Rights and/or non-discrimination policy includes "sexual orientation"
- Patients' Bill of Rights and/or non-discrimination policy includes "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity"



Seventy-three percent of the participating facilities (121 of 166) reported inclusion of sexual orientation in their Patients' Bill of Rights and/or non-discrimination policy, while less than 7 percent (11 facilities) of those policies included "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Transgender Law Center, Transgender Health and the Law: Identifying and Fighting Health Care Discrimination, July 2004. Available at: transgender/awcenter.org/pdf/Health%20Law%20fact%20sheet.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Bryant, K., & Schilt, K., "Transgender Veterans Survey," Transgender American Veterans Association, August 2008. Available at: www.tavausa.org/Transgender%20People%20in%20the%20U.S.%20Military.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Gay and Lesbian Medical Association and LGBT health experts, Healthy People 2010 Companion Document for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Health, 2001. Available at: www.lgbthealth.net/downloads/hp2010doc.pdf.

#### **VISITATION POLICIES**

Visitation by family and friends is important to a patient's healing process. Healthcare facilities are faced with the challenge of striking a balance between the patient's much-needed support from visitors and the healthcare and privacy needs of the patient and others. To achieve this balance, healthcare facilities implement visitation policies that outline protocol around patient visitation. These policies can be facility-wide or specific to a unit and often include parameters around who is permitted to visit and when. Visitation access is often determined by a facility's definition of family. Same-sex partners and same-sex parents are not always recognized as family due to inadequate visitation policies and staff training.

The vast majority of participants reported visitation policies that allow same-sex partners/spouses and same-sex parents the same visitation access as opposite-sex spouses and parents. At a minimum, these policies do not exclude same-sex partners or parents from visiting family (i.e. limiting visitation to family members related by blood or marriage). These policies often include broad language such as "significant other" or "support person," which is intended to be inclusive of LGBT families as well as other family structures that may fall outside of the traditional understanding of family.

Our policy review has identified best-practice visitation policies which include a definition of family that is explicitly inclusive of same-sex partners and same-sex parents by using the terms "same-sex partners" and making it clear that parents have the right to visit regardless of the gender of either parent. Explicit policy language decreases the possibility of staff members interpreting these policies based on their own conscious-or subconscious-biases. The more explicit the policy, the better it ensures inclusion is translated into practice, protecting all patients' and families' rights. These policies will inform the baseline on which facilities are measured in subsequent survey years.

For more information on visitation policies, including model policy language: www.hrc.org/issues/9814.htm.

#### Criterion 2a, 2b - Number of Facilities that Responded "Yes"

- Visitation policies allow same-sex partners/spouses the same visitation access as opposite-sex spouses and next of kin
- Visitation policies allow same-sex parents the same visitation access as opposite-sex parents for their minor children



Ninety-five percent of the participating facilities (104 of 110) for which this question was applicable reported having visitation policies that allow same-sex partners/spouses the same visitation access as opposite-sex spouses and next of kin. Ninety-four percent (102 of 109 facilities) have visitation policies that allow same-sex parents the same visitation access as opposite-sex parents for their minor children.



#### **DECISION-MAKING POLICIES**

#### **ADVANCE HEALTHCARE DIRECTIVES**

Advance healthcare directives are legal documents that allow an individual to control the course of their medical treatment in the event of mental incapacity. Durable powers of medical attorney, healthcare proxies and living wills are common examples of directives. Individuals express their healthcare wishes in these documents and designate surrogates who may make medical decisions on their behalf. Due to the lack of LGBT relationship recognition laws in most states, and because most default medical decision-making law triggered by mental incapacity remains non-LGBT inclusive, it is especially important that same-sex couples complete directives to ensure their ability to make medical decisions for incapacitated partners.

Every one of our participating facilities for which Criterion 3a was applicable (145 of 145 facilities) indicated that it recognizes advance healthcare directives allowing same-sex partners/spouses decision-making authority for their partner/spouse under care.

Participating facilities recognize the legal validity of advance healthcare directives between same-sex partners. These results are in accordance with the legal requirement that healthcare facilities honor valid advance healthcare directives. Unfortunately, numerous LGBT individuals come forward with tragic stories of hospitals failing to recognize these directives between same-sex couples at critical moments of emergency and end-of-life medical treatment. This indicates a breakdown in the implementation and enforcement of compliance policies due to inadequate staff training or insufficient policy language.

Moving forward, the HEI will work to identify policies or practices that remedy the problem of subjective enforcement of compliance policies around advance healthcare directives due to staff ignorance or bias. Two key issue areas to be addressed by both policy and education and training on advance healthcare directives as they apply to the LGBT community are: (1) the validity of out-of-state (foreign) directives; and (2) defining individuals properly appointed as a substitute decision maker by a patient.

For more information on advance healthcare directive policies: www.hrc.org/issues/9819.htm.

For information on legal documents to protect your family: www.hrc.org/issues/7948.htm.

#### Criterion 3a - Number of Facilities that Responded "Yes"

 Recognize advance healthcare directives allowing same-sex partners/spouses decision-making authority for their partner/spouse under care



#### **DECISION-MAKING POLICIES**

#### SAME-SEX PARENTS AND CONSENT FOR TREATMENT OF A MINOR

The 2005 American Community Survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau reported that there are nearly 770,000 same-sex couples across the country, in communities large and small.<sup>5</sup> Census numbers further note that one out of three female same-sex couples and one out of five male same-sex couples are raising children. These families live in 96 percent of all counties in the United States, with the South having the highest percentage of same-sex couples raising children, compared to other regions.

Despite this nationwide presence of same-sex couples raising children, there remain significant gaps in the law when it comes to protecting the basic rights of these families, including those related to decision-making rights of same-sex parents. Regardless of how children come into the home of a same-sex couple — be it through adoption, insemination or surrogacy — the key factor in terms of decision-making rights is the legal relationship each parent has with the child. A child's legal parent or guardian has wide authority to make healthcare decisions for the child. In the case of non-biological LGBT parents, the legal relationship is often established through joint or second-parent adoption.

**JOINT ADOPTIONS** are legal procedures which involve a couple adopting a child privately from the child's biological parent(s) or from the foster care system. These adoptions give both parents legal custody of the child.

**SECOND-PARENT ADOPTIONS** (also called co-parent adoptions) are legal procedures that allow a same-sex parent to adopt her or his partner's biological or adoptive child without terminating the first parent's legal status as a parent. Second-parent adoptions protect children in same-sex parented families by giving the child the security of having two legal parents. Second-parent adoptions also protect the rights of the second parent, by ensuring that she or he will continue to have a legally recognized parental relationship to the child if the couple separates or if the biological (or original adoptive parent) dies or becomes incapacitated.

Joint and second-parent adoptions are only available in limited circumstances, on a state-by-state (or in some cases, jurisdiction-by-jurisdiction) basis. When joint and second-parent adoptions are not available, there are other options such as an authorization for consent to medical treatment of a minor, court-appointed guardianships, or "judgments of parentage" which same-sex parents may use to protect their medical decision-making rights for their minor children. However, in cases where legal parenting rights are not available or are cost-prohibitive, same-sex parents and their children are at a serious disadvantage in terms of their rights.

Due to this patchwork of state parenting laws, this is an especially complex area for healthcare facilities to navigate, and we have resolved to provide resources such as model policies and guidance before we will rate participants on this issue. Thanks to the thoughtful responses and feedback from participants, we have a better understanding of the way decision-making rights for same-sex parents are currently addressed in policies pertaining to consent for treatment of a minor. Future iterations of the HEI survey will continue to identify best practices for healthcare facilities to ensure they are respecting the rights of all parents while acting within the limits of state law.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Gates, Gary J., Ph.D., "Same-Sex Couples and the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual Population: New Estimates from the American Community Survey". Williams Institute, UCLA School of Law, 2006. Available at: www.law.ucla.edu/williamsinstitute/publications/SameSexCouplesandGLBpopACS.pdf.

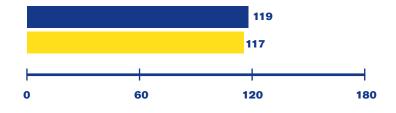
# CULTURAL COMPETENCY TRAINING AND CLIENT SERVICES

Inclusive policies alone do not ensure LGBT individuals and families feel safe, welcome and respected in healthcare facilities. Everyone who works in healthcare facilities — not only clinicians — should receive training on LGBT cultural competence, because an individual's experience while accessing healthcare is influenced by everyone they interact with in the process. Lack of LGBT cultural competence among healthcare providers is shown to result in the LGBT community avoiding routine care due to negative healthcare experiences. Creating a nonjudgmental and secure environment through training on basic, LGBT-specific skills and competencies will ensure patients feel welcome and relieve anxiety or confusion among employees.

For more information on cultural competency training: www.hrc.org/issues/8250.htm.

#### Criterion 4a, 4b - Number of Facilities that Responded "Yes"

- Provide cultural competency training addressing sexual orientation and healthcare issues relevant to lesbian, gay and bisexual community
- Provide cultural competency training addressing gender identity and healthcare issues relevant to transgender community



Seventy-two percent of participating facilities (119 of 166 facilities) provide cultural competency training addressing sexual orientation and healthcare issues relevant to lesbian, gay and bisexual community. Seventy-one percent of participating facilities (117 facilities) provide cultural competency training addressing gender identity and healthcare issues relevant to transgender community.

Of the 119 facilities offering training on sexual orientation, 76 percent (90 facilities) offer these trainings on a voluntary basis, requiring no employees to attend. Twenty-three percent (27 facilities) require all employees to attend and two facilities require only clinical employees to attend. Of the 117 facilities offering training on gender identity, 76 percent (89 facilities) offer these trainings on a voluntary basis, requiring no employees to attend. Twenty-two percent (26 facilities) require all employees to attend and two facilities require only clinical employees to attend.

#### **EMPLOYMENT POLICIES AND BENEFITS**

The primary focus of the HEI is on the experiences of LGBT patients and their families. However, a look at a facility's employment policies and benefits related to their LGBT employees can inform an assessment of its overall climate. For example, the more comfortable LGBT providers are with being open about their LGBT identity at work, the more likely they are to contribute positively to the LGBT patient experience by educating their colleagues on matters of LGBT cultural competence. The Healthcare Equality Index focuses on only three of the many policies and practices employers must implement to be inclusive of their LGBT employees. As the HEI criteria continue to evolve, we strongly encourage current and future HEI participants to work toward full inclusion of their LGBT employees.

For more information on LGBT inclusion in the workplace: www.hrc.org/workplace.

#### **NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICIES**

Currently, federal law protects employees from discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, age or disability. Federal law does not yet protect employees from discrimination based on real or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity. Twenty states and the District of Columbia have passed laws prohibiting employment discrimination based on sexual orientation; 12 states and the District of Columbia have passed laws prohibiting employment discrimination based on gender identity.

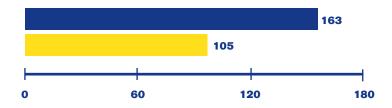
A clear and defined non-discrimination (equal employment opportunity) policy with respect to conditions of employment — including hiring, promotions, termination and compensation — that includes "sexual orientation" and "gender identity" is an essential baseline policy for LGBT inclusion in the workplace.

For more information on statewide employment non-discrimination laws: www.hrc.org/about\_us/state\_laws.asp.

For more information on employment non-discrimination policies: www.hrc.org/issues/workplace/equal\_opportunity.asp.

#### Criterion 5a, 5b - Number of Facilities that Responded "Yes"

- Equal employment opportunity policy includes "sexual orientation"
- Equal employment opportunity policy includes "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity"



Ninety-eight percent of the participating facilities (163 of 166 facilities) bar employment discrimination based on sexual orientation, while only 63 percent (105 facilities) of those policies include "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity."



#### **PARTNER HEALTH BENEFITS**

On average, roughly 20 percent of employees' overall compensation is provided in the form of health insurance benefits for themselves and/or their families. For employees with partners and/or children not eligible for those benefits, this disparity in compensation is profound. These are low-cost, high-value employment benefits and are now the norm among employers committed to their LGBT employees.

For more information on domestic partner benefits: www.hrc.org/issues/domestic\_partner\_benefits.htm.

#### Criterion 5c - Number of Facilities that Responded "Yes"

Domestic partner health insurance benefits are offered



Ninety-eight percent of the participating facilities (162 of 166 facilities) reported offering health insurance coverage to their employees' domestic partners. Of these facilities, 131 offer partner benefits to same- and opposite-sex partners and 22 offer benefits only to same-sex partners (nine did not provide this information).

#### **DATA COLLECTION POLICIES**

In addition to questions related to the 11 criteria discussed in this report, the HEI survey asked facilities for information on their data collection policies related to the LGBT community. These questions focus on intake forms and data collection systems.

#### **INTAKE FORMS**

A first step in providing culturally competent care is amending all patient-history and intake forms to ensure that they are LGBT-inclusive. For example, choices for relationship status should include terms such as "partnered" in addition to "single," "married," "divorced," etc. Also, these forms should allow for flexibility in the options for gender identification, including an option for transgender (both male-to-female and female-to-male).

- Seventy-seven percent (127 participating facilities) have intake forms that include information on their visitation policies
- Fifty-four percent (89 facilities) have intake forms that allow for the designation of domestic partnership or otherwise unmarried partnership or parental status
- Fifty-six percent (93 facilities) have intake forms that allow for the designation of domestic partner or other as next of kin
- Fifty-three percent (88 facilities) have intake forms that allow for the designation of domestic partner or others as medical decision maker
- Seven percent (11 facilities) have intake forms that allow for designation of gender that includes transgender status
- Twenty percent (34 facilities) have intake forms that allow for flexibility in identification of name and gender

For more information on LGBT-inclusive intake forms: www.hrc.org/issues/8253.htm.

#### **DATA COLLECTION SYSTEMS**

Data collection systems that include fields for sexual orientation and gender identity allow for this information to be captured by providers — while not requiring this information from patients who prefer not to disclose or have this information in their medical records — and facilitate the assessment of health outcomes according to sexual orientation and gender identity.

- Eighteen percent (30 participating facilities) have data collection systems that allow people to self-identify as lesbian, gay or bisexual
- Six percent (10 facilities) have data collections systems that allow people to self identify as transgender
- Seventy-five percent (125 facilities) have data collection systems that permit the tracking
  of persons other than legal spouses who have legal relationships to patients relevant to the
  healthcare facility

## **APPENDICES**

## APPENDIX A: PARTICIPATING HOSPITALS AND BREAKDOWN OF RESPONSES

#### **Healthcare Equality Index Policy Criteria**

- **1a** Patients' Bill of Rights and/or non-discrimination policy includes "sexual orientation"
- **1b** Patients' Bill of Rights and/or non-discrimination policy includes "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity"
- **2a** Visitation policies allow same-sex partners/spouses the same visitation access as opposite-sex spouses and next of kin
- **2b** Visitation policies allow same-sex parents the same visitation access as opposite-sex parents for their minor children
- **3a** Recognize advance healthcare directives allowing same-sex partners/spouses decision-making authority for their partner/spouse under care
- 4 Provide cultural competency training addressing sexual orientation and health-care issues relevant to lesbian, gay and bisexual community
- **4b** Provide cultural competency training addressing gender identity and health-care issues relevant to transgender community
- **5a** Equal employment opportunity policy includes "sexual orientation"
- **5b** Equal employment opportunity policy includes "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity"
- **5c** Domestic partner health insurance benefits are offered

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	Scripps Coastal Medical Center Encinitas	Encinitas	CA										
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Hillcrest San Diego CA	Scripps Coastal Medical Center Escondido	Escondido	CA										
	Scripps Coastal Medical Center Hillcrest	San Diego	CA										

Hospital	City	State	1a	1b	2a	2b	3a	4a	4b	5a	5b	5c
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Mission	Oceanside	CA										
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Vista	Vista	CA										
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Waring	Oceanside	CA										
Scripps Green Hospital	La Jolla	CA										
Scripps Memorial Hospital Encinitas	Encinitas	CA										
Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla	La Jolla	CA										
Scripps Mercy Hospital	San Diego	CA										
Scripps Mercy Hospital Chula Vista	Chula Vista	CA										
Sioux City Center	Sioux City	IA										
South Pointe Hospital	Warrensville Heights	ОН										
Southeast Portland Health Center	Portland	OR										
Spencer Center	Spencer	IA										
Stanford Hospital and Clinics	Palo Alto	CA										
Storm Lake Center	Storm Lake	IA										
Susan Knapp Health Center	Des Moines	IA										
UCSF Medical Center	San Francisco	CA										
UM Briarwood Medical Group	Ann Arbor	MI										
University Hospital	Ann Arbor	MI										
University Hospitals Extended Care Campus	Chardon	ОН										
University of California San Diego Medical Center	San Diego	CA										
Vanderbilt University Medical Center	Nashville	TN										
West Ann Arbor Health Center	Ann Arbor	МІ										
West Center	Urbandale	IA										
Westside Health Center	Portland	OR										
Ypsilanti Health Center	Ypsilanti	МІ										

KEY TO RESPONSES 
YES

■ NO

NOT APPLICABLE



## **APPENDICES**

#### **APPENDIX B: PARTICIPATING FACILITIES BY STATE**

#### **Healthcare Equality Index Policy Criteria**

- **1a** Patients' Bill of Rights and/or non-discrimination policy includes "sexual orientation"
- **1b** Patients' Bill of Rights and/or non-discrimination policy includes "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity"
- **2a** Visitation policies allow same-sex partners/spouses the same visitation access as opposite-sex spouses and next of kin
- **2b** Visitation policies allow same-sex parents the same visitation access as opposite-sex parents for their minor children
- **3a** Recognize advance healthcare directives allowing same-sex partners/spouses decision-making authority for their partner/spouse under care
- **4a** Provide cultural competency training addressing sexual orientation and healthcare issues relevant to lesbian, gay and bisexual community
- **4b** Provide cultural competency training addressing gender identity and healthcare issues relevant to transgender community
- **5a** Equal employment opportunity policy includes "sexual orientation"
- **5b** Equal employment opportunity policy includes "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity"
- **5c** Domestic partner health insurance benefits are offered

CALIFORNIA						5c
Kaiser Permanente Anaheim Medical Center	Anaheim					
Kaiser Permanente Baldwin Park Medical Center	Baldwin Park					
Kaiser Permanente Bellflower Medical Center	Bellflower					
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Carlsbad	Carlsbad					
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Eastlake	Chula Vista					
Scripps Mercy Hospital Chula Vista	Chula Vista					
Scripps Clinic Coronado	Coronado					
Scripps Clinic Encinitas	Encinitas					
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Encinitas	Encinitas					
Scripps Memorial Hospital Encinitas	Encinitas					
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Escondido	Escondido					
Kaiser Permanente Fontana Medical Center	Fontana					
Kaiser Permanente Fremont Medical Center	Fremont					
Kaiser Permanente Fresno Medical Center	Fresno					
Kaiser Permanente South Bay Medical Center	Harbor City					
Kaiser Permanente Hayward Medical Center	Hayward					
Scripps Clinic La Jolla	La Jolla					
Scripps Clinic Torrey Pines	La Jolla					
Scripps Green Hospital	La Jolla					
Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla	La Jolla					
Scripps Clinic Rancho San Diego	La Mesa					
California Hospital Medical Center	Los Angeles					
Kaiser Permanente Los Angeles Medical Center	Los Angeles					
Kaiser Permanente West Los Angeles Medical Center	Los Angeles					
L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center	Los Angeles					
Kaiser Permanente Manteca Medical Center	Manteca					
Kaiser Permanente Oakland Medical Center	Oakland					
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Mission	Oceanside					
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Waring	Oceanside					
Stanford Hospital and Clinics	Palo Alto					
Kaiser Permanente Panorama City Medical Center	Panorama City					
Scripps Clinic Rancho Bernardo	Rancho Bernardo					
Kaiser Permanente Redwood City Medical Center	Redwood City					
Kaiser Permanente Richmond Medical Center	Richmond					
Kaiser Permanente Riverside Medical Center	Riverside					
Kaiser Permanente Roseville Medical Center	Roseville					
Kaiser Permanente Sacramento Medical Center	Sacramento					
Kaiser Permanente South Sacramento Medical Center	Sacramento					
Kaiser Permanente San Diego Medical Center	San Diego					
Scripps Clinic Carmel Valley	San Diego					
Scripps Clinic Del Mar	San Diego					
Scripps Clinic Mission Valley	San Diego					
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Hillcrest	San Diego					

Hospital	City	1a	1b	2a	2b	3a	4a	4b	5a	5b	5c
CALIFORNIA											
Scripps Mercy Hospital	San Diego										
University of California San Diego Medical Center	San Diego										
California Pacific Medical Center	San Francisco										
Kaiser Permanente San Francisco Medical Center	San Francisco										
Lyon-Martin Health Services	San Francisco										
San Francisco General Hospital Medical Center	San Francisco		ne -								
UCSF Medical Center	San Francisco										
Kaiser Permanente South San Francisco Medical Center	San Francisco										
Kaiser Permanente Santa Teresa Medical Center	San Jose										
Kaiser Permanente San Rafael Medical Center	San Rafael										
Kaiser Permanente Santa Clara Medical Center (Kiely Campus)	Santa Clara		_								
Kaiser Permanente Santa Rosa Medical Center	Santa Rosa										
Scripps Clinic Santee	Santee										
Kaiser Permanente Vallejo Medical Center	Vallejo		_								
Scripps Coastal Medical Center Vista	Vista										
Kaiser Permanente Walnut Creek Medical Center	Walnut Creek										
Kaiser Permanente Woodland Hills Medical Center	Woodland Hills										
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA											
George Washington University Hospital	Washington										
GEORGIA			_								
Piedmont Hospital	Atlanta										
HAWAII											
Kaiser Permanente Moanalua Medical Center	Honolulu										
IOWA											
Ames Center	Ames										
Ankeny Center	Ankeny										
Quad Cities Center	Bettendorf										
Cedar Falls Center	Cedar Falls	_	_								
Creston Center	Creston										
Family Practice Center, The	Des Moines										
Healthy Connections	Des Moines	_	_								
Rosenfield Center	Des Moines										
Susan Knapp Health Center	Des Moines										
Fort Dodge Center	Fort Dodge										
Iowa City Center	Iowa City										
Knoxville Center	Knoxville										
Newton Center	Newton										
Red Oak Center	Red Oak										
Sioux City Center	Sioux City										
Spencer Center	Spencer										
Storm Lake Center	Storm Lake										
West Center	Urbandale										

KEY TO RESPONSES 

YES



Hospital	City	1a	1b	2a	2b	3a	4a	4b	5a	5b	5c
ILLINOIS				_							
Advocate IL Masonic Medical Center	Chicago										
Rush University Medical Center	Chicago										
LOUISIANA											
East Jefferson General Hospital	Metairie										
Medical Center of Louisiana	New Orleans										
MASSACHUSETTS											
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center	Boston										
Brigham and Women's Hospital	Boston										
Dana Farber Cancer Institute	Boston		ac								
Faulkner Hospital	Boston										
Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates	Boston										
Massachusetts General Hospital	Boston										
Baystate Medical Center	Springfield										
MARYLAND			]								
Chase Brexton Health Services	Baltimore										
MICHIGAN											
A. Alfred Taubman Health Care Center	Ann Arbor										
Commonwealth Neuropsychology Clinic	Ann Arbor										
Domino's Farms Health Center	Ann Arbor										
East Ann Arbor Ambulatory Surgery & Medical Procedures Center	Ann Arbor	2									
East Ann Arbor Health & Geriatrics Center	Ann Arbor										
New Hope Outreach Clinic	Ann Arbor										
Psychiatry Ambulatory Services	Ann Arbor										
UM Briarwood Medical Group	Ann Arbor										
University Hospital	Ann Arbor										
West Ann Arbor Health Center	Ann Arbor										
Brighton Health Center	Brighton										
Canton Health Center	Canton										
Chelsea Health Center	Chelsea										
Dexter Family Medicine	Dexter										
Howell Pediatrics and Teen Center	Howell										
Bronson Methodist Hospital	Kalamazoo								ac		
Livonia Center for Specialty Care	Livonia										
Saline Health Center	Saline		_								
Ypsilanti Health Center	Ypsilanti										
MINNESOTA			,		,						
Park Nicollet Methodist Hospital	Saint Louis Park										
NORTH CAROLINA											
Duke University Hospital	Durham										
NEW YORK			,								
Bronx Health Center	Bronx										
Maimonides Medical Center	Brooklyn										
Callen-Lorde Community Health Center	New York										

Hospital	City	1a	1b	2a	2b	3a	4a	4b	5a	5b	5c
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Bedford Medical Center	Bedford										
Geauga Medical Center	Chardon										
University Hospitals Extended Care Campus	Chardon										
Case Medical Center	Cleveland										
Cleveland Clinic	Cleveland										
Fairview Hospital	Cleveland										
Ireland Cancer Center	Cleveland										
Lutheran Hospital	Cleveland										
MacDonald Women's Hospital	Cleveland										
Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital	Cleveland										
Conneaut Medical Center	Conneaut										
Huron Hospital	East Cleveland										
Euclid Hospital	Euclid										
Geneva Medical Center	Geneva										
Lakewood Hospital	Lakewood										
Hillcrest Hospital	Mayfield Heights										
Richmond Medical Center	Richmond Heights										
South Pointe Hospital	Warrensville Heights										
OREGON											
Legacy Clinic Canby	Canby										
Kaiser Permanente Sunnyside Medical Center	Clackamas										
East County Health Center	Gresham										
Legacy Clinic Mount Hood	Gresham										
Legacy Mount Hood Medical Center	Gresham										
La Clinica de la Buena Salud Health Center	Portland										
Legacy Clinic Emanuel	Portland										
Legacy Clinic Good Samaritan	Portland										
Legacy Clinic Northeast	Portland										
Legacy Clinic Northwest	Portland										
Legacy Clinic Tigard-King City	Portland										
Legacy Emanuel Children's Hospital	Portland										
Legacy Emanuel Hospital & Health Center	Portland										
Legacy Good Samaritan Hospital & Medical Center	Portland										
Mid County Health Center	Portland										
North Portland Health Center	Portland										
Northeast Portland Health Center	Portland										
Southeast Portland Health Center	Portland										
Westside Health Center	Portland										
Legacy Clinic Firwood	Sandy										
Legacy Clinic St. Helens	St. Helens										
Legacy Clinic Tualatin	Tualatin										
Legacy Meridian Park Hospital	Tualatin										
Legacy Clinic West Linn	West Linn										
Legacy Clinic Woodburn	Woodburn										

Hospital	City	1a	1b	2a	2b	За	4a	4b	5a	5b	5c
TENNESSEE											
Vanderbilt University Medical Center	Nashville										
WASHINGTON											-
Legacy Clinic Battle Ground	Battle Ground										
Group Health Central Hospital	Seattle										
Legacy Clinic Fisher's Landing	Vancouver		**							N.	
Legacy Clinic Salmon Creek	Vancouver										
Legacy Salmon Creek Hospital	Vancouver										

KEY TO RESPONSES ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT APPLICABLE



## **APPENDICES**

#### **APPENDIX C: PARTICIPATING FACILITIES BY NETWORK**

#### **Healthcare Equality Index Policy Criteria**

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NO NETWORK												'
Advocate IL Masonic Medical Center	Chicago	IL										
Baystate Medical Center	Springfield	MA		x.								-
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center	Boston	MA										
Brigham and Women's Hospital	Boston	MA										
Bronson Methodist Hospital	Kalamazoo	MI	,									
Bronx Health Center	Bronx	NY										
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Scripps Mercy Hospital	San Diego	CA										
Scripps Mercy Hospital Chula Vista	Chula Vista	CA										
UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS OF CLEVELAND												
Bedford Medical Center	Bedford	ОН										
Case Medical Center	Cleveland	ОН										
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Geauga Medical Center	Chardon	ОН										
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MacDonald Women's Hospital	Cleveland	ОН										
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Domino's Farms Health Center	Ann Arbor	МІ										
East Ann Arbor Ambulatory Surgery & Medical Procedures Center	Ann Arbor	МІ										
East Ann Arbor Health & Geriatrics Center	Ann Arbor	МІ										
Howell Pediatrics and Teen Center	Howell	MI										
Livonia Center for Specialty Care	Livonia	МІ										
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UM Briarwood Medical Group	Ann Arbor	МІ										
University Hospital	Ann Arbor	МІ										
West Ann Arbor Health Center	Ann Arbor	МІ										
Ypsilanti Health Center	Ypsilanti	МІ										

KEY TO RESPONSES ☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ NOT APPLICABLE

# **APPENDICES**

# **APPENDIX D: HEALTHCARE EQUALITY INDEX 2009 SURVEY**

Use this document for your information only – surveys must be submitted online.

Up-to-date help and additional information specific to each survey question is available online.

The online survey is pre-populated with previous survey answers and/or information gathered by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation and can be printed for your use in preparing your answers.

Questions marked with **2009** will be used in part or in their entirety for scoring purposes this year. All other questions are for informational purposes only.

# **General Facility Information**

- Facility Address
- Web Address
- Bed Size Range
- # of Full-Time Personnel
- Ownership Type
- Primary Service

## **Patient Non-Discrimination Policies**

- 1. Does your primary Patients' Bill of Rights or patient non-discrimination policy include the term "sexual orientation"?
  - Yes No, but we plan to in the next one year No Do not know
- 2. Does your primary Patients' Bill of Rights or patient non-discrimination policy include the term "gender identity or expression" or "gender identity"?
  - Yes No, but we plan to in the next one year No Do not know
- 3. Please attach a copy of your Patients' Bill of Rights or patient non-discrimination policy.

  Note: If you are reporting your policy for the first time, or are reporting changes, you need to submit a copy to receive credit.

PLEASE PROVIDE THE PUBLIC WEB ADDRESS WHERE YOUR PATIENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS OR PATIENT NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY IS POSTED.

# **Visitation Policies**

- 4. Do you have a definition of "family" or "immediate family"?
  - Yes No, but we plan to in the next one year No Do not know

If YES, please provide the language of the definition below.

	5	Do your visitation policies differentiate between friends, family and/or immediate family?					
		■ Yes ■ No, but we plan to in the next one year ■ No ■ Do not know					
		If YES, please attach a copy of the policy.					
	6	Do your visitation policies allow patients to designate their visitors?					
		■ Yes ■ No, but we plan to in the next one year ■ No ■ Do not know ■ Not Applicable					
		If YES, please attach a copy of the policy (unless already attached to previous question).					
20	009	Do your visitation policies allow same-sex partners/spouses the same access as opposite-sex partners/spouses and next of kin?					
		■ Yes ■ No, but we plan to in the next one year ■ No ■ Do not know ■ Not Applicable					
		If YES, please attach a copy of the policy (unless already attached to previous question). Note: If you are reporting your policy for the first time, or are reporting changes, you need to submit a copy to receive credit.					
20	1 <mark>09</mark> 8	Do your visitation policies allow same-sex parents the same visitation access as opposite-sex parents for their minor children?					
		■ Yes ■ No, but we plan to in the next one year ■ No ■ Do not know ■ Not Applicable					
		If YES, please attach a copy of the policy (unless already attached to previous question). Note: If you are reporting your policy for the first time, or are reporting changes, you need to submit a copy to receive credit.					
		cision-Making Policies					
20	009	Do you recognize advance healthcare directives such as durable powers of attorney for health care, healthcare proxies, or living wills in allowing same-sex partners/spouses decision-making authority for their partner/spouse under your care?					
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Decision-Making Policies
11. Do you provide advance healthcare directive forms at intake?
■ Yes ■ No, but we plan to in the next one year ■ No ■ Do not know
12. Do you train staff on compliance with state laws and policies regarding advance healthcare directives such as durable powers of attorney for healthcare, healthcare proxies or living wills?
■ Yes ■ No, but we plan to in the next one year ■ No ■ Do not know
13. Do you have a policy that allows same-sex parents the same rights as opposite-sex parents for medical decision-making for their minor children?
■ Yes ■ No, but we plan to in the next one year ■ No ■ Do not know
If YES, please attach a copy of the policy (unless already attached to previous question). Note: If you are reporting your policy for the first time, or are reporting changes, you need to submit a copy to receive credit
Residential Facility and Inpatient Services
14. Do you provide long-term, residential facilities?
■ Yes ■ No
■ Yes ■ No  If YES, how many beds are currently available for residents? (Note: Indicate all beds set up and staffed for use whether or not they are currently in use by residents).
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If YES, please attach a copy of the policy.

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# **Cultural Competency Training and Client Services**

- 2009
- 17. Do you provide cultural competency training to personnel addressing sexual orientation and the healthcare issues relevant to the lesbian, gay and bisexual community?
  - Yes, all employees required to attend
- Yes, only clinical employees required to attend
- Yes, no employees required to attend
- No, training not offered

## If training is provided, what does the training include (please indicate all that apply)?

- Psychosocial/physical/mental health needs of gay/lesbian/bisexual people/families
- Immigration status or concerns related to LGBT patients
- Other (If OTHER, please specify)
- 2009
- 18. Do you provide cultural competency training to personnel addressing gender identity and the healthcare issues relevant to the transgender community?
  - Yes, all employees required to attend
- Yes, only clinical employees required to attend
- Yes, no employees required to attend
- No, training not offered
- Other (If OTHER, please explain)

#### If training is provided, what does the training include (please indicate all that apply)?

- Psychosocial/physical/mental health needs of transitioning and transgender people
- Preventing non-medically necessary exams for transgender patients
- Accommodating needs of transgender patients such as access to private bathroom
- Other (If OTHER, please specify)
- 19. Do you provide any of the following other programs or services? (please indicate all that apply)
  - Programs that support unique psychosocial/physical/mental health needs of LGBT community
  - Programs that support unique psychosocial/physical/mental health needs of LGBT youth
  - Treatment/services for transgender patients that support "transitioning"
  - Treatment/services for transgender patients that acknowledge transgender history
  - HIV/AIDS testing/treatment/counseling/other services
  - HIV/AIDS services targeting LGBT people of color
  - STD/STI community education/services or treatment specific to the LGBT community
  - Community outreach plan that reflects specific commitment to LGBT community
  - Other services or programs

#### Please describe all services or programs that are provided.

- 20. Do you have a representative of an LGBT organization or openly LGBT person serving on a governing or advisory board?
  - Yes
     No, but we plan to in the next one year
     No
     Do not know

2009	21. Does your primary non-discrimination or equal employment opportunity policy include the term								
	"sexual orientation"?								
	■ Yes ■ No, but we plan to in the next one year ■ No ■ Do not know								
	22. Do you have a representative of an LGBT organization or openly LGBT person serving on a governing or advisory board?								
	■ Yes ■ No, but we plan to in the next one year ■ No ■ Do not know								
	23. Please attach a copy of your non-discrimination or equal employment opportunity policy.  Note: If you are reporting your policy for the first time, or are reporting changes, you need to submit a copy to receive credit.								
	If applicable, please provide the public web address where your non-discrimination or equal employment opportunity policy is posted.								
2009	24. Do you offer same-sex (or same- and opposite-sex) partner health insurance coverage to your benefits-eligible employees?								
	■ Yes ■ No, but we plan to in the next one year ■ No ■ Do not know ■ Not Applicable								
	If YES, how do you define partners?								
	<ul> <li>■ Includes both same- and opposite-sex partners</li> <li>■ Includes same-sex partners only</li> <li>■ Do not know/info not available</li> </ul>								
	25. Do you have an officially recognized LGBT employee resource group?								

# **Data Collection Policies**

■ Name of Group

■ E-mail

**Employment Policies and Benefits** 

26. Which of the following are included on your patient intake/information forms? (please indicate all that apply):

■ Phone

- Visitation policies
- Designation of domestic partnership or otherwise unmarried partnership or parental status
- Designation of domestic partner or others as next of kin

If YES, please provide the following contact information.

■ Contact Name

■ Web Address

- Designation of domestic partner or others as medical decision maker
- Designation of gender that includes transgender status
- Flexibility in indication of preferred name and gender

- 27. Do you have data collections systems that allow people to self-identify as lesbian, gay or bisexual on an optional basis?
  - Yes
     No, but we plan to in the next one year
     No
     Do not know
- 28. Do you have data collections systems that allow people to self-identify as transgender on an optional basis?
  - Yes
     No, but we plan to in the next one year
     No
     Do not know
- 29. Do you have data collection systems that permit keeping track of persons other than legal spouses who have legal relationships to patients that give them rights that are relevant to your healthcare facility (e.g., being able to record that a patient has a registered domestic partner or a designated healthcare proxy)?
  - $\blacksquare$  Yes  $\blacksquare$  No, but we plan to in the next one year  $\blacksquare$  No  $\blacksquare$  Do not know
- 30. Please include any other information that would illustrate how your hospital views LGBT patients or employees. This could include information on innovative practices or services that affect the LGBT community, etc.
- 31. If you have any additional information or supporting documents you would like to submit, please attach here.

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The Gay and Lesbian Medical Association works to ensure equality in healthcare for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals and healthcare professionals. GLMA achieves its goals by using healthcare expertise in professional education, public policy work, patient education and referrals, and the promotion of research.

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The Human Rights Campaign Foundation Family Project aims to serve as a comprehensive resource for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender families. The project provides information on a wide range of issues, including adoption, civil unions, custody and visitation, donor insemination, family law, marriage, parenting, schools, senior health and housing, state laws and legislation, straight spouses and transgender issues. In addition to maintaining the most inclusive and up-to-date resources for LGBT families in the U.S., the project provides guidance to those who work closely with these families in various fields, such as adoption agencies, social workers and healthcare institutions.

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