

What Every Clinician Needs to Know about Working with Trans/Non-Binary Gender Identity Issues



Due to pervasive discrimination and oppression of transgender, gender-nonconforming, gender variant and nonbinary (TGNGVNB) individuals as well as limited resources dedicated to improving the mental health of TGNGVNB persons, TGNGVNB people are at heightened risk for unemployment, homelessness, poverty, depression, anxiety, suicidal ideation, substance use and abuse, self-harm, as well as other mental health concerns. However, many clinicians have received little or no training in working with TGNGVNB clients.

This presentation will provide clinicians with basic information about TGNGVNB people. Further, participants will learn basic skills associated with providing trans-affirmative counseling services, how to project a trans-inclusive environment in their counseling center or private practice, and how to communicate their dedication to transgender advocacy to potential clients.

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