

AHCJ 2022: [Covering LGBTQ+ Communities](#)

Research studies, style guides and recommended reading to help inform your reporting.



Research articles

- Sexual Orientation Differences in Access to Care and Health Status, Behaviors, and Beliefs: Findings from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, National Survey of Family Growth, and National Health Interview Survey:
<https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nhsr/nhsr171.pdf>
- Mental Health Outcomes in Transgender and Nonbinary Youths Receiving Gender-Affirming Care, JAMA Network Open, February 2022:
<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamanetworkopen/fullarticle/2789423>
- Sex education: Why an abstinence-only approach is problematic, a research roundup by The Journalist's Resource, May 2019:
<https://journalistsresource.org/economics/sex-education-abstinence-research/>
- Race and Well-Being Among LGBT Adults, Williams Institute:
<https://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/visualization/lgbt-races/#Intro-text>
- Queering global health: an urgent call for LGBT+ affirmative practices, The Lancet Global Health, February 2022:
[https://www.thelancet.com/journals/langlo/article/PIIS2214-109X\(22\)00001-8/fulltext](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/langlo/article/PIIS2214-109X(22)00001-8/fulltext)
- LGBTQ youth mental health during COVID-19: unmet needs in public health and policy, The Lancet, December 2021:
[https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736\(21\)02872-5/fulltext?dgcid=raven_jbs_etoc_email](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(21)02872-5/fulltext?dgcid=raven_jbs_etoc_email)
- Safety Net Health Plan Initiatives to Improve LGBTQI+ Health Equity, Association of Community Affiliated Health Plans, September 2021:
<https://www.communityplans.net/research/safety-net-health-plan-initiatives-to-improve-lgbtqi-health-equity/>
- Ballroom Icons and the Power to Promote COVID-19 Vaccination Among Black and Brown LGBTQ+ Individuals:
<https://ajph.aphapublications.org/doi/full/10.2105/AJPH.2021.306581>

- LGBTQ+ people experience higher unemployment as a result of COVID-19, impacting health, Sexuality Research and Social Policy, January 2022: <https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/939681>
- Health Disparities Among Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Nonbinary Adults 50 Years Old and Older in the United States, LGBT Health, September 2021: <https://www.liebertpub.com/doi/full/10.1089/lgbt.2021.0009>
- Mortality trends over five decades in adult transgender people receiving hormone treatment: a report from the Amsterdam cohort of gender dysphoria, The Lancet Diabetes and Endocrinology, September 2021: [https://www.thelancet.com/journals/landia/article/PIIS2213-8587\(21\)00185-6/fulltext](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/landia/article/PIIS2213-8587(21)00185-6/fulltext)
- COVID-19 Vaccination Coverage and Vaccine Confidence by Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity – United States, August 29–October 30, 2021, MMWR, February 2022: https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/71/wr/mm7105a3.htm?s_cid=mm7105a3_w
- LGBT People in the US Not Protected by State Non-Discrimination Statutes, Williams Institute, April 2020: https://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/publications/lgbt-nondiscrimination-statutes/?mc_cid=fa37930b0c&mc_eid=35cb8475e4
- Humanistic and Economic Burden of Conversion Therapy Among LGBTQ Youths in the United States, JAMA Pediatrics, March 2022: <https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/fullarticle/2789415>
- Gaps in Health Care Access and Health Insurance Among LGBT Populations in California, Williams Institute, February 2022: <https://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/publications/gaps-health-care-lgbt-ca/>
- NIH Should Standardize Questions Used to Collect Sex, Gender, and Sexual Orientation Data in Studies and Surveys, Says New Report, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, March 2022: <https://www.nationalacademies.org/news/2022/03/nih-should-standardize-questions-used-to-collect-sex-gender-and-sexual-orientation-data-in-studies-and-surveys-says-new-report> and explainer: <https://www.lgbtmap.org/file/2022-brief-nasem-report.pdf>
- Pronouns Are a Public Health Issue: <https://ajph.aphapublications.org/doi/10.2105/AJPH.2021.306678>
- Minority Stress and Suicidal Ideation and Suicide Attempts Among LGBT Adolescents and Young Adults: A Meta-Analysis: <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35319281/>

- Prohibiting Gender-Affirming Medical Care for Youth: As of March 2022, 15 states have restricted access to gender-affirming care or are currently considering laws that would do so
<https://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/publications/bans-trans-youth-health-care/>
- LGBTQ Youth Homelessness: Why We Need to Protect Our LGBTQ Youth:
<https://www.liebertpub.com/doi/10.1089/lgbt.2021.0324>
- Conversion efforts aimed at LGBTQI2+ people are prevalent in Québec, Canada:
<https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0265580>
- What the Survey of Prison Inmates tells us about trans people in state prison:
https://www.prisonpolicy.org/blog/2022/03/31/transgender_incarceration/
- New CDC data illuminate youth mental health threats during the COVID-19 pandemic:
<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2022/p0331-youth-mental-health-covid-19.html> and https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/ind2022_su.html
- LBQ girls and women of color overrepresented in child welfare and criminalization systems:
<https://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/publications/system-involved-lbq-girls-wo-men/>
- Transgender health content in medical education: a theory-guided systematic review of current training practices and implementation barriers & facilitators:
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35412095/>
- Persistent disparities in COVID-19-associated impacts on HIV prevention and care among a global sample of sexual and gender minority individuals:
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35435149/>
- Recognizing Racial Disparities in Postoperative Outcomes of Gender Affirming Surgery: <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35451878/>
- Variability in Eating Disorder Risk and Diagnosis in Transgender and Gender Diverse College Students: <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/35472489/>

(7 ways journalists can access academic research for free:

<https://journalistsresource.org/media/academic-research-free-journalists/>)

Resources

- CDC's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Health page:
<https://www.cdc.gov/lgbthealth/>
- The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) LGBT page: <https://www.samhsa.gov/behavioral-health-equity/lgbt>

- The Williams Institute is a public policy research institute based at the UCLA School of Law focused on sexual orientation and gender identity issues: <https://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/>
- GLMA, previously known as the Gay & Lesbian Medical Association: <https://www.glma.org/>
- The Bros in Convo Initiative's Stock Photos Gallery: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ljHqN4_n3VvcQczopbn5oYRMeOk0wKL7?usp=sharing
- The Gender Spectrum: Stock Photos Beyond The Binary: <https://genderphotos.vice.com/>
- The Trevor Project, a national organization providing crisis intervention and suicide prevention services to LGBTQ youth: <https://www.thetrevorproject.org/>
- The Human Rights Campaign, a national advocacy organization for LGBTQ individuals: <https://www.hrc.org/>. The organization also has a State Equality Index is an annual comprehensive state-by-state report that provides a review of statewide laws and policies that affect LGBTQ+ people and their families: <https://www.hrc.org/resources/state-scorecards>
- The Movement Advancement Project follows LGBTQ-related policies and laws by state: <https://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps>
- Legislation Affecting LGBTQ Rights Across the Country, 2021: <https://www.aclu.org/legislation-affecting-lgbtq-rights-across-country-2021?redirect=legislation-affecting-lgbt-rights-across-country>
- National LGBT Cancer Network: <https://cancer-network.org/>
- National LGBTQ Task Force: <https://www.thetaskforce.org/>
- Anti-Transgender Medical Care Bans: <https://www.equalityfederation.org/tracker/anti-transgender-medical-care-bans>
- The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act and LGBTQ people: <https://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/wp-content/uploads/VAWA-Mar-2022.pdf>
- Transgender teens and gender-affirming care: What reporters need to know: <https://healthjournalism.org/calendar-details.php?id=2498&EventType=1&EventSubType=3&Topic=calendar>
- Endocrine Society's Clinical Practice Guideline on the treatment for transgender individuals: <https://www.endocrine.org/news-and-advocacy/news-room/2017/experts-issue-recommendations-for-gender-affirmation-treatment-for-transgender-individuals>
- American Academy of Pediatrics continues to support care of transgender youths as more states push restrictions: <https://publications.aap.org/aapnews/news/19021/AAP-continues-to-support-care-of-transgender>

- International Railroad for Queer Refugees: <https://irqr.net/>
- World Professional Association for Transgender Health: <https://www.wpath.org/>
- A Vision for Equitable Data: Recommendations from the Equitable Data Working Group. The White House.
<https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/eo13985-vision-for-equitable-data.pdf>
- NLGJA: The Association of LGBTQ Journalists Excellence in Journalism Awards
<https://www.nlgja.org/awardsinfo/excellence-in-journalism-awards/>
- NLGJA: The Association of LGBTQ Journalists National Convention
<https://www.nlgja.org/2022/>
- The Curve Award for Emerging Journalists:
<https://www.nlgja.org/awardsinfo/curve-award/>
- Queer Politics at Princeton: <https://queerpolitics.princeton.edu/>

Style guides

- The Association of LGBTQ Journalists' Stylebook on LGBTQ Terminology:
<https://www.nlgja.org/stylebook/>
- GLAAD Media Reference Guide: <https://www.glaad.org/reference>

Additional Reading

- Should gender dysphoria be a required stop en route to gender euphoria?
<https://www.statnews.com/2022/04/06/gender-inclusive-health-care>
- LGBTQ students deserve a voice. Here's how education reporters cover them:
<https://www.poynter.org/reporting-editing/2022/lgbtq-students-deserve-a-voice-heres-how-education-reporters-cover-them/>
- The number of LGBTQ-identifying adults is soaring:
<https://www.axios.com/lgbtq-generation-z-gallup-24551003-3bfa-414a-bbef-ff663368c4b5.html>
- He started an LGBTQ magazine during the pandemic. Here's what he learned:
<https://www.poynter.org/business-work/2022/he-started-an-lgbtq-magazine-during-the-pandemic-heres-what-he-learned/>
- 'It shouldn't be this hard': Trans people face new paperwork hurdle in COVID-19 vaccination cards:
<https://19thnews.org/2022/01/trans-paperwork-vaccination-cards/>
- Anti-trans bills hurt mental health for two-thirds of LGBTQ+ youth in 2021:
<https://19thnews.org/2022/01/anti-trans-bills-mental-health-2021/>

- It's a 'sad and scary time' for LGBTQ students and their families:
<https://www.latimes.com/politics/story/2022-03-29/experts-worry-dont-say-gay-bills-promote-hate>
- Experts fear Florida's "Don't Say Gay" bill is already affecting the mental health of LGBTQ youth:
<https://www.salon.com/2022/04/03/experts-fear-floridas-dont-say-gay-bill-is-already-affecting-the-mental-health-of-lgbtq-youth/>
- Deaf LGBTQ youth, further on the margins, likelier to feel depressed or suicidal than their hearing peers:
<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2022/04/06/deaf-children-lgbtq-youth-have-higher-risk-depression-suicide/7272477001/?gnt-cfr=1>
- A Texas teacher faces losing her job after fighting for gay pride symbols in school:
<https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/lgbtq-students-texas-school-rainbow-stickers-rcna23208>
- Doctors who provide gender-affirming care are preparing for growing restrictions:
<https://wamu.org/story/22/04/14/doctors-who-provide-gender-affirming-care-are-preparing-for-growing-restrictions/>
- For Transgender Youth, Stigma Is Just One Barrier to Health Care:
<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/09/28/health/transgender-health-care.html>
- 40% of AAPI LGBTQ youths have considered suicide in last year, report says:
<https://www.nbcnews.com/news/asian-america/40-aapi-lgbtq-youths-considered-suicide-last-year-report-says-rcna25018>
- Endocrine Society opposes Florida Department of Health policy on gender dysphoria treatment for children and adolescents:
<https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/950312>
- Gender-affirming care, a 'crucial' process for thousands of young people in America <https://www.cnn.com/2022/04/21/health/gender-affirming-care/>
- How Florida's 'don't say gay' law could harm children's mental health
<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2022/apr/04/florida-dont-say-gay-bill-children-mental-health>
- Inside a Home for L.G.B.T.Q. Seniors: 'I Made Friends Here'
<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2022/04/22/realestate/lgbtq-senior-housing-new-york.html>
- Rose Walton was a pioneering HIV/AIDS advocate -with a great love story
<https://www.tampabay.com/news/health/2022/04/23/rose-walton-was-a-pioneering-hiv-aids-advocate-with-a-great-love-story/>

- Views of Covid-19 Vaccines Among LGBT Adults
<https://www.kff.org/coronavirus-covid-19/poll-finding/views-of-covid-19-vaccines-among-lgbt-adults/>
- LGBTQ community may be 'particularly vulnerable' to coronavirus pandemic. Here's why
<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2020/03/18/lgbtq-coronavirus-community-vulnerable-covid-19-pandemic/2863813001/>
- Conversion therapy is harmful to LGBTQ people and costs society as a whole, study says
<https://www.cnn.com/2022/03/07/health/conversion-therapy-personal-and-financial-harm/>
- The 'Double Closet': Why Some Bisexual People Struggle with Mental Health
<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/06/30/well/bisexual-mental-health-lgbt.html>
- How doctors' assumptions about LGBTQ patients can be harmful to their health
<https://www.usatoday.com/story/life/health-wellness/2021/10/01/lgbtq-inclusive-healthcare-still-not-mainstream-heres-why/5904801001/>
- How to Have Hard Talks about Menopause
<https://www.oprahdaily.com/life/health/a39666653/speak-up-about-menopause/>