6 Best Practices for LGBTQ+ Care





Avoid Assumptions

Do not assume a patient's sexual orientation or gender identity.



Avoid Invasive Questions

Do not ask questions about patients' bodies that aren't related to direct medical care.



Include Chosen Family in Care Planning

Make sure LGBTQ+ chosen family members are included in care planning and decision making. Ask specifics regarding advanced care planning.



Plan Gender-Neutral Socials

Avoid holding gender-specific social activities.



Respect and Review Living Policies

Respect the policies of your facility and ensure they include non-discrimination for LGBTQ+ populations.



Use Pronouns

Learn about, ask about, and address patients using their pronouns.



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