LGBTQ+ Pride Month

History

While there were earlier demonstrations and activities by the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community, the Stonewall riots are considered the beginning of LGBTQ+ Pride celebrations. In the early morning hours of June 28, 1969, armed police officers raided the Stonewall Inn on Christopher Street in Greenwich Village, the center of the LGBTQ+ community in Manhattan, New York. Gay and lesbian bar raids were a regular occurrence in the years preceding the Stonewall riots, but this raid—in which 13 patrons were arrested—represented a tipping point. Fed up, hundreds of people rioted, protested and fought back. A year after the riots, the last Sunday in June was celebrated as Gay Pride Day. In 1999, President William J. Clinton issued a proclamation in which Gay Pride Day was expanded to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month. Today, Pride celebrates the spectrum of sexual and gender identities.

LGBTQ+ Milestones in the United States

- **1979**: Approximately 75,000 people participated in the National March for Lesbian and Gay Rights in Washington, D.C., making it one of the largest political gatherings in support of LGBTQ+ rights to date.
- **1982**: Wisconsin becomes the first state to outlaw discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.
- **1984**: The city of Berkeley, California, becomes the first city to offer its employees domestic-partnership benefits.
- **1993**: Minnesota becomes the first state to outlaw discrimination against transgender individuals.
- **2000**: Vermont becomes the first state in the country to legally recognize civil unions between gay or lesbian couples.
- **2004**: Same-sex marriages become legal in Massachusetts.
- **2008**: Stu Rasmussen becomes the nation’s first openly transgender mayor.
- **2009**: President Obama signs a referendum allowing the same-sex partners of federal employees to receive benefits.
- **2010**: Phyllis Frye is sworn in as the nation’s first openly transgender judge.
- **2012**: Tammy Baldwin becomes the first openly gay politician elected to the Senate.
- **2015**: The U.S. Supreme Court rules that same-sex marriage is a legal right across the United States.
- **2016**: The Department of Defense revises regulations to allow transgender people to serve openly in the military.
- **1952**: Christine Jorgensen becomes the first American to undergo a gender-affirming operation.
- **1999**: The first Transgender Day of Remembrance is observed.
- **1973**: The American Psychiatric Association removes homosexuality from its official list of mental disorders.
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Johns Hopkins supports the LGBTQ+ Community

On Oct. 11, 2011, National Coming Out Day, Johns Hopkins University launched its internal OUTList to connect its LGBTQ+ community with mentors, creating an informal network of supporters.

The Gertrude Stein Society, named after the former Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine student and well-known lesbian activist, is a student-led organization for LGBTQ+ and allied members of the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, including the school of nursing, school of public health and school of medicine. Student co-chairs Andrianna Ayiotis, Cassie Parks and Dylan Hardenbergh are dedicated to maintaining and developing an even more accepting environment for diversity at JHMI through community service, recruitment and advocacy.

Johns Hopkins Center for Transgender Health

In March 2017, the Center for Transgender Health, led by Paula M. Neira, clinical program director, and Devin O’Brien-Coon, medical director, opened its doors with the mission to reduce health care disparities and improve the overall health of the transgender community. The center provides affirming, objective, person-centered care to improve health and enhance wellness; educates interdisciplinary health care professionals to provide culturally competent, evidence-based care; informs the public on transgender health issues; and advances medical knowledge by conducting biomedical research. Thanks to the work of the Center for Transgender Health, The Johns Hopkins Hospital performed its first genital gender-affirming surgery in 38 years in August 2017.
Health Disparities in the LGBTQ+ Community

**SUICIDE RISKS INCREASED**

LGBT youth are 4x more likely than straight youth to make a suicide attempt requiring medical attention.

**VIOLENCE RISKS INCREASED**

50

# of people killed in the June 2016 attack in Orlando, one of the worst mass shootings in U.S. history. Another 53 were wounded; targeted because they were LGBT Americans.

**HIV/STD INFECTION RISKS INCREASED**

70%

of transgender people have been the victim of discrimination when seeking healthcare.

**MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS INCREASED**

1 in 5

have been denied care by a provider.

**INSURANCE COVERAGE DECREASED**

2x

transgender people are twice as likely as cisgender people to be unemployed.

4x

With trans people of color more than 4 times as likely to be unemployed.

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE INCREASED**

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Johns Hopkins Resources

Johns Hopkins Center for Transgender Health
hopkinsmedicine.org/center_transgender_health/index.html

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Health
hopkinsmedicine.org/healthlibrary/conditions/adult/lgbt_health/
lesbian_gay_bisexual_and_transgender_lgbt_health_22,LesbianGayBisexualTransgenderHealth

Gay and Bisexual Men's Health Issues
hopkinsmedicine.org/healthlibrary/conditions/adult/mens_health/
mens_health_22,GayAndBisexualMensHealth

Lesbian and Bisexual Women's Health Issues
hopkinsmedicine.org/healthlibrary/conditions/adult/womens_health/
womens_health/womens_health_22,LesbianAndBisexualWomen'sHealthIssues

Trans Women's Health Issues
hopkinsmedicine.org/healthlibrary/conditions/adult/womens_health/
womens_health/womens_health_22,TransWomensHealth

Trans Men's Health Issues
hopkinsmedicine.org/healthlibrary/conditions/adult/mens_health/
mens_health_22,TransMensHealthIssues

LGBT Health Care: Answers from Expert Paula Neira
hopkinsmedicine.org/health/articles-and-answers/ask-the-expert/
lgbt-health-care

LGBT Resources at Johns Hopkins Medicine
hopkinsmedicine.org/lgbt-resources/

LGBT Vocabulary
hopkinsmedicine.org/human_resources/workforce_diversity/
diversity_inclusion/training_education/lgbt.html

Caring for Transgender Patients
hopkinsmedicine.org/news/articles/caring-for-transgender-patients

LGBTQ Youth Health Care Needs
hopkinsallchildrens.org/ACH-News/General-News/LGBTQ-Youth-
Health-Care-Needs

Sexual Attraction and Orientation
hopkinsallchildrens.org/Patients-Families/Health-Library/HealthDoc-
New/Sexual-Attraction-and-Orientation?id=0

Resources

LGBT Health Resource Center of Chase Brexton Health Care
chasebrexton.org/our-services/lgbt-health-resource-center

Advocacy and Services for LGBT Elders
sageusa.org/

Center of Excellence for Transgender Health
transexhealth.ucsf.edu/

Gay and Lesbian Medical Association (GLMA)
www.glma.org/

University of California San Francisco Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Resource Center
lgbt.ucsf.edu/

World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH)
wpath.org/

The Gay, Lesbian and Transgender Community Center of Baltimore and Central Maryland (GLCCB)
glccb.org/

The Trevor Project
thetrevorproject.org/#sm.001l0ia1y174kf7nsut27g7xtf3qy

Mayor's Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning Affairs
lgbtq.dc.gov/

PFLAG: Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays
pflagdc.org/

LGBT Welcome Center
lgbtwelcomecenter.com/