LGBTQIOI

part one: sexual attraction + orientation

Best Practices for Serving Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and Questioning Youth

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INTRODUCTIONS

- I. Name
- 2. Preferred Gender Pronoun
- 3. LGBTQ "Queero"

WORKING ASSUMPTIONS

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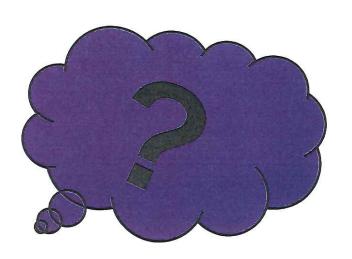
Sexual Orientation

To whom we feel attracted.

Gender Identity

Our internal sense of gender, regardless of what our bodies look like.

In what ways do we feel (or not feel) attracted to other people?





Some Types of Attraction

Sexual

Mental

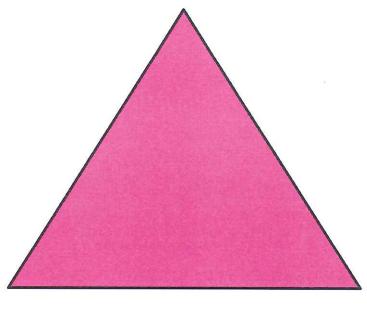
Physical

Spiritual

Emotional

Intellectual

Orientation



Identity

Behavior

"I knew the word 'asexual' was really powerful and validating, but [I wanted] to avoid creating a culture of telling people who they needed to be to be part of this community. I started talking about how identity is a tool and not a label -- an idea that you should be able pick it up if it's useful to you and put it down if it's not, and one that you can redefine for yourself."

David Jay
What Is Asexuality? A Community's Coming Of Age
Huffington Post

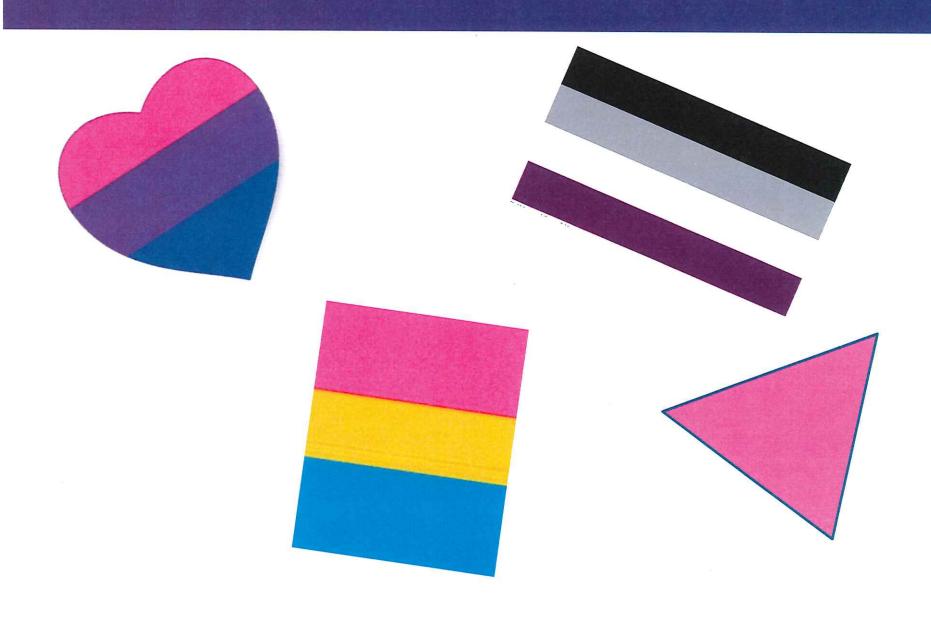
Werewolf: Hi, I'm a werewolf.

Person: Ok, so when you're in human form you're a human, and when you're in wolf form you're a wolf though.



Werewolf: No. I'm a werewolf. Human form = werewolf. Wolf form = werewolf. Always a werewolf. No matter the circumstance or appearance, I AM ALWAYS A WEREWOLF.

Source: Tumblr; http://favouriteghost.tumblr.com



ACTIVITY Gender or Sexuality?

BEST PRACTICES

- It is never our place to tell a young person if, when or how to come out.
- Communicate acceptance watch for "microaggressions" or hidden bias.
- Update intake/survey forms to be inclusive of sexual orientations/gender identities beyond "straight"

supportive adult in an environment can decrease an LGBTQ youth's risk for suicide by 30%

QUESTIONS

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