

The Landscape of LGBTQ+ Affirming Healthcare in Erie: A Panel Discussion

JUNE 14, 2023

11:30 AM REGISTRATION

12:00 - 1:00 PM

BLASCO LIBRARY ADMIRAL ROOM

A LIGHT LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED

Historically, the LGBTQ+ community has faced barriers to accessing quality healthcare due to discrimination, stigma, and lack of knowledgeable and welcoming providers. Additionally, many LGBTQ+ people face challenges that increase health risks and can lead to negative health outcomes. Combined, this creates health disparities for LGBTQ+ individuals compared to their cisgender, heterosexual counterparts. This is a concern across communities, including here in Erie.

LGBTQ+ affirming healthcare is a critical component of ensuring that all individuals have access to high-quality healthcare services, regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity. It is important for healthcare and social service providers to understand the unique health needs and experiences of LGBTQ+ individuals, and for facilities to provide a welcoming, inclusive, and competent environment.

Our panel will discuss the current healthcare landscape for LGBTQ+ individuals in our area, and what resources are available.

Learning Objectives for CME/SW/LPC/LMFT Credits:

- Identify three core principles of LGBTQ+ affirming healthcare
- Review at least five health risks potentially faced by individuals in the LGBTQ+ community
- Name at least three barriers to care that may impact LGBTQ+ individuals
- Describe the current healthcare landscape for LGBTQ+ individuals in our region, including in primary care, mental health, and substance use settings.
- Set an actionable goal to improve LGBTQ+ health for our region.

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