

SEXUAL AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE GSM/LGBTQ COMMUNITY

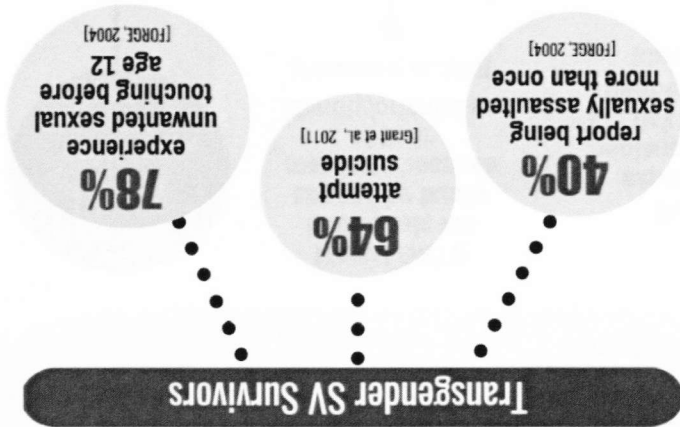
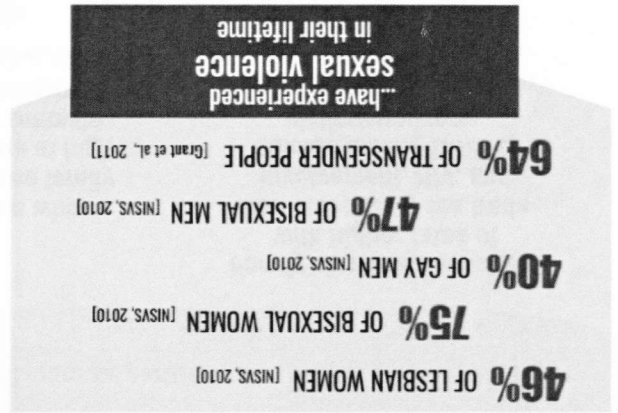


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Sexual Violence

Sexual violence is any sexual conduct that occurs without consent. This includes rape, sexual exploitation, sexual touching, sexual harassment, and sexual coercion.

Sexual violence is used as a tool to gain power and control, and may be a form of hate crime against the GSM/LGBTQ community.



It is normal to have concerns about "outing" yourself to law enforcement or hospital staff.

It is up to you to decide what information you feel comfortable sharing.

The most important issue is your safety, physical, and mental health.

Be treated with dignity and respect by all responders in regard to their gender identity/sexual orientation

A medical forensic exam at no cost to them regardless of whether they report to police [VAMA, 2013]

Welcoming, affirming, and culturally-responsive, and advocacy and support services

Survivors have a right to...

- ### Resources
- Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence: 1-800-782-6400
 - National Sexual Assault Hotline: 1-800-656-4673
 - National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233
 - Trans Lifeline: 1-877-565-8860