

Hauora Tāhine

Pathways to Transgender

Healthcare Services









Transgender Week of Awareness

12 to 20 November 2018



New health pathways

Visit www.healthpoint.co.nz and search 'Hauora Tāhine' to learn more.

Northland, Waitemata, Auckland and Counties Manukau DHBs welcome all Gender Diverse and Transgender people and their whānau.



Rerenga Wairua https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a8bgfxmhQk

Rerenga wairua Tēnā whakarongo mai Pāpaki tū ana Ngā tai o Te Tokerau Ueoneone rā He tangata rangatira e Nō te Aupōuri Ngāpuhi nui tonu e

NURSING GERONTOLOGY PRESENTATION 2018

TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY
AT A GRASS ROOTS LEVEL



Case description:

The ability to live full safe and open lives is a fundamental right of every individual in Aotearoa/New Zealand

yet Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender and Intersex (LGBTI) people are subjected to:

- stigmatization and discrimination

▶ I suggest that closing the cultural competency education gap in medical and nursing education in Aotearoa/New Zealand would be a positive move in the right direction.

- ► Three key themes:
 - understanding the needs of the LGBTI communities
 - managing transgender identity
 - preparing for the aging LGBTI population.

Mihi

► Ko Roxanne Peoples- Henare ahau

Ko Ngapuhi toku iwi

Ko Ngati Hine toku hapu.

MY HISTORY TO DATE

▶ transitioned in 1984

worked as a sex worker for 11 years

alcohol and drug addiction

- ► New Zealand Prostitutes Collective in 1989
- ► New Zealand Aids Foundation (Burnett Centre for 2 years)
- currently work for ADHB Sexual Health (22nd year)
- Currently on the National Transgender Advisory Committee
- Member of the ADHB LGBTQI group

Auckland Sexual Health Department- Auckland District Health Board

ELIGIBILTY

- Auckland Sexual Heath Department
- ► GP referrals internal DHB referrals

 General Check up symptomatic/asymptomatic/ specialized clinics i.e. laser, biopsies, Vulval and transgender clinics patients can also "self refer"

Confirmation of eligibility and publicly funded health care

patients who are not eligible are referred to other services such as Family Planning

Gender Markers And Cultural Identities

CULTURE

- Whakawahine/Hine Hua
- Whakatane/ Hine Hi
- ► Fafafine (Samoa)
- Fakaleiti
- ► (Tonga); Mahu (Tahiti)

TRANSLATION

- Maori- Transgender-Male to female
- Maori- Transgender-Female to Male
- Pacific Islands and some other cultures do not recognise Western gender constructs

GENDER FLUIDITY

What is gender fluidity?

- gender is fluid along the gender spectrum line
- it is where a person starts to transition wise along the gender spectrum at any point in their life
- our society only in the last 15 years has recognised
 Transgender as the preferred identity or umberella

What would I expect from Health Care If I am in a rest home- where I am Transgender

- I would like my family and friends to be ambassadors of my care
- I would like my whanau to be notified of my care and have them involved in decision making
- I would like my partner (if any) to be involved in any decision making and care
- As a trans woman or trans male I would like to have and be treated as such in my own gender
 - ▶ Have access to my make up
 - ► Have my hair and nails done according to my gender
- ▶ Be able to shower or have a bath without prejudice
- Be treated with Dignity and respect

Important things to remember when dealing with a Transgender Patient

Use the correct pronouns, he, she or they

Don't feel awkward, the patient won't

- Don't be shy to ask appropriate questions
- They may be nervous about how your going to react to them

each of us identify uniquely under the Transgender umberella

▶ you might have patients that identify as Pansexual or Asexual, non binary sometimes this group will sometimes wish for "They" pronoun to be used.

The Process at Sexual Health when a Transgender patient arrives at reception

► A video recently created and released 3 weeks ago by the WDHB-Transgender Project for the DHBs

https://drive.google.com/open?id=1N2EjLPVcAxfcQpMV6iuTamvQb9hdeHle

TRANSGENDER ONLINE RESOURCES

- Ministry Of Health (MOH)
 - Transgender Resources For Health Care Professionals
 - https://www.health.govt.nz/your-health/healthy-living/transgender-new-zealanders/resources-transgender-new-zealanders
- The Human Rights Commission (HRC)
 - ► The Inquiry into Discrimination Experienced by Transgender People 2008
 - ► https://www.hrc.co.nz/your-rights/social-equality/our-work/inquiry-discrimination-experienced-transgender-people/
- ► Hauora Tāhine Pathways to Transgender Healthcare Services & Sexual Health Services- HEALTH POINT (portal)
 - Health point Portal for the Transgender NZ Service
 - https://www.healthpoint.co.nz/public/sexual-health/hauora-tahine-pathways-totransgender-healthcare/

Q&AAnswer Time with Roxy

