



Caring for LGBTQ2S+ Elders

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Families of Choice and Community Connectedness: A Brief Guide to the Social Strengths of LGBTQ Older Adults

<https://journals.healio.com/doi/full/10.3928/00989134-20200113-01>

In this editorial, the authors discuss two social strengths of the LGBTQ community. Health care providers are encouraged to learn more about families of choice and community connections as this will enhance their understanding and ability to care for LGBTQ older adults. **(PAID ACCESS)**

An interdisciplinary approach to enhancing health knowledge and cultural awareness with LGBT older adults

<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/03601277.2021.1876584>

In this mixed methods study, the authors examined the effectiveness of implementing an educational intervention that aims to improve the cultural sensitivity of social work and nursing students with regards to the health care needs of LGBT older adults. **(PAID ACCESS)**

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Older Adults' Experiences with Elder Abuse and Neglect

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7288570/>

Researchers used focus groups to learn about LGBT older adults' perspectives on and experience with elder abuse, barriers they face in accessing resources, and recommendations for medical providers to improve outreach and support to this marginalized population. **(OPEN ACCESS)**

Differences in Caregiving Outcomes and Experiences by Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/29364755/>

In this study, researchers compared demographic characteristics of LGBT caregivers and non-LGBT caregivers to determine if there was a difference in caregiving experiences and outcomes. **(PAID ACCESS)**

"Fear Runs Deep:" The Anticipated Needs of LGBT Older Adults in Long-Term Care

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/30102141/>

The authors examined the anticipated needs and fears of LGBT older adults in relation to nursing homes and assisted living. The implications of the findings on training, policy, and caregiving are also considered. **(PAID ACCESS)**

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The Aging Experiences of LGBTQ Ethnic Minority Older Adults: A Systematic Review

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/32941597/>

This systemic review explores the experiences of LGBTQ ethnic minority older adults. Based on the findings, the authors advocate for intersectional aging policies and services which recognize diversity within the LGBTQ older adults subpopulation. (PAID ACCESS)

Provider and LGBT Individuals' Perspectives on LGBT Issues in Long-Term Care: A Systematic Review

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7117618/>

The objective of this systemic review was to synthesize and evaluate data related to the perception of long-term services and support providers and LGBT older adults with regards to issues concerning the LGBT population. (OPEN ACCESS)

Mental Health Care for LGBT Older Adults in Long-Term Care Settings: Competency, Training, and Barriers for Mental Health Providers

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/29877759/>

The authors aimed to determine specific areas for improvement in the care of LGBT older adults in long-term care settings by surveying healthcare professionals on their competency, training, and barriers to providing quality care. (PAID ACCESS)

Care of LGBTQ Older Adults: What Geriatric Nurses Must Know

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0197457219302587?via%3Dihub>

The author advocates for geriatric nurses to actively promote improvement of the care of LGBTQ older adults. (OPEN ACCESS)

Training to Reduce LGBTQ-Related Bias Among Medical, Nursing, and Dental Students and Providers: A Systematic Review

<https://bmcomededuc.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12909-019-1727-3>

This systematic review was conducted to determine the effectiveness of programs to reduce health care student or provider bias towards LGBTQ patients. (OPEN ACCESS)

Cognitive Impairment, Alzheimer's Disease, and Other Dementias in the Lives of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Older Adults and Their Caregivers: Needs and Competencies

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5383534/>

The authors examined cognitive impairment and dementias among LGBT older adults. They describe their unique risk factors, and outline key competencies for health care and human service providers to ensure culturally relevant care for LGBT older adults experiencing cognitive impairment, Alzheimer's disease, or other dementias, as well as their caregivers, families, and communities. (OPEN ACCESS)

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Canadians Who Care: Social Networks and Informal Caregiving Among Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual Older Adults in the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging

<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/0091415019864603>

This analysis compared social networks and patterns of care provision between heterosexual and lesbian, gay and bisexual (LGB) Canadians between the age of 45 and 85 years of age. **(PAID ACCESS)**