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# **All-Gender Inclusive Support**

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FORGE in Milwaukee, IL developed and disseminated resources on providing gender-inclusive support groups for diverse sexual assault survivors, specifically integrating male, transgender, and gender non-binary survivors.

# Communities

Adults LGBTQ2I Men Non-binary Survivors Women

# Products

Research: Part of the Solution: Gender-Integrated Sexual Assault Support Groups Presentation: Integrating Transgender Survivors into Shelter and Support Groups Presentation: Sneak Preview: Gender-Integrated Support Groups for Sexual Assault Survivors

Presentation: Webinar recording: Sneak Preview: Gender-Integrated Support Groups for Sexual Assault Survivors

## System:

Therapeutic/mental health

# Level:

National



### **Learning Circles**

Presented at the 2017 National Sexual Assault Conference in Dallas, TX on the RALIANCE track to 87 attendees. Additionally, hosted several webinars with various groups on this project.



#### **Raise Awareness**

Shared the guide and archived webinars via social media with specific posts during Sexual Assault Awareness Month, Mental Health Awareness Month, and other key social media opportunities.

#### **Measure Impact**

Identified facilitators' concerns and barriers via an online survey with 97 responses (Goal 50). They used this information as well as interviews with 18 facilitators (Goal 10) to inform the guide.

### What's next:

Single-gender support groups deprive many transgender, nonbinary, and male survivors of opportunities to benefit from these core services. FORGE's resources on integrating sexual assault support group helps extend supportive spaces to many more survivors.



### **Provide Resources**

Created the Part of the Solution: Gender-Integrated Sexual Assault Support Groups: A practical guide for support group facilitators, therapists, and decision-makers.

### Educate & Train

Held 3 webinars: Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault (90 attendees), Jewish Women International's National Alliance to End Domestic Abuse (339 attendees), and Part of the Solution: Gender-Integrated Sexual Assault Support Groups sponsored by FORGE in July 2017 (258 attendees). Reached 687 total webinar attendees. Recordings are available of the webinars.

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