



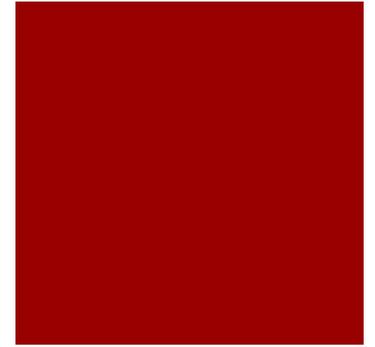
Getting to Wellness: Social Determinants & the Transgender Community

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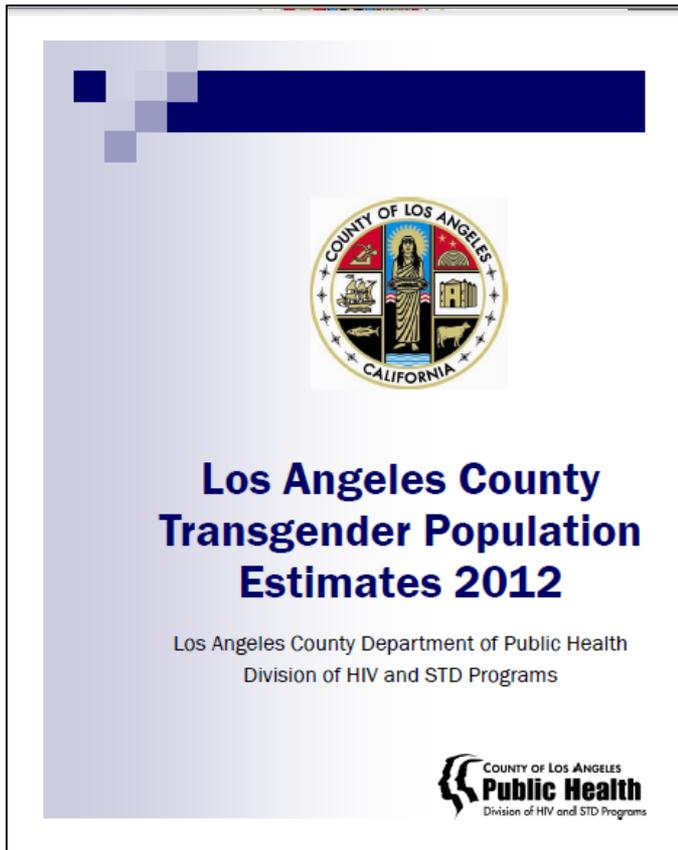
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Agenda



- Estimates of HIV in the Transgender Community in LA County
- Social Determinants of Health
- Getting to Wellness

Estimates of HIV among Transgender Population in LA County



DHSP report in 2012:

- Estimated **14,428 transgender persons** living in LAC (range: 7,214 to 21,642).
- Estimated HIV Prevalence: **15.1% (Trans Women)**
0.6% (Trans Men)

Estimated HIV Prevalence among Trans Women by Race/Ethnicity in LA County



Table 3: Estimated HIV Prevalence by Race/Ethnicity

Race/Ethnicity	Estimated # HIV Cases	Estimated Population Size	Estimated HIV prevalence
Black	324	671	48.3%
Latina	595	3,470	17.1%
White	88	1,912	4.6%
Asian/Pacific Islander	39	1,053	3.7%
Native American	29	108	26.9%
Total	1,088	7,214	15.1%

*MTF=Transgender Male-to-Female

Social Determinants of Health

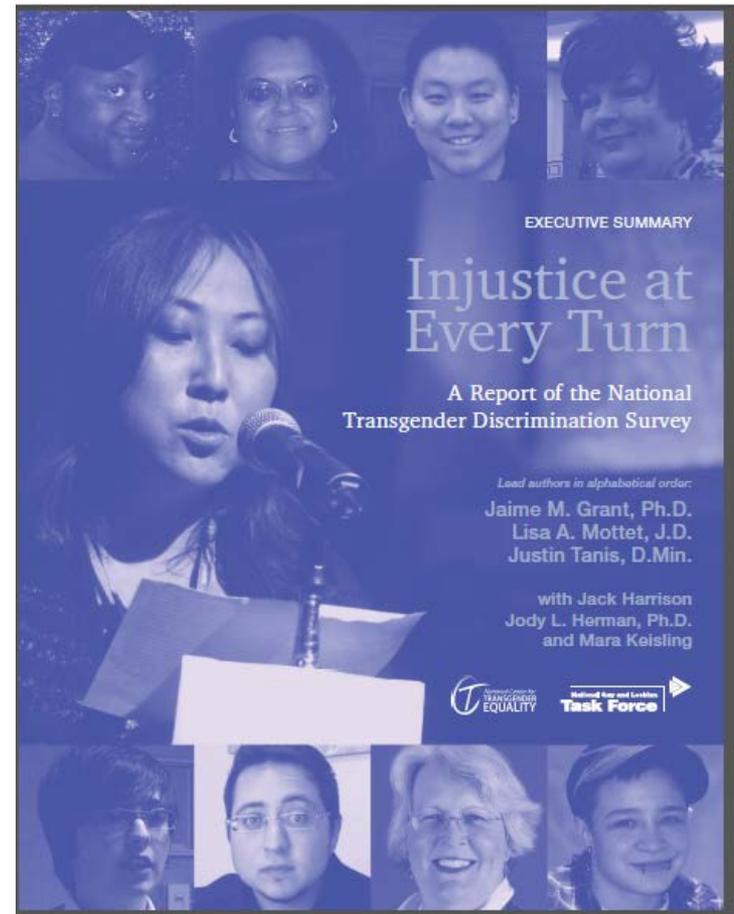


“The social determinants of health are the circumstances in which people are born, grow up, live, work, and age, as well as the systems put in place to deal with illness.”

-World Health Organization

Injustice at Every Turn

- A Report of the National Transgender Discrimination Survey
- 6,450 transgender and gender non-conforming study participants



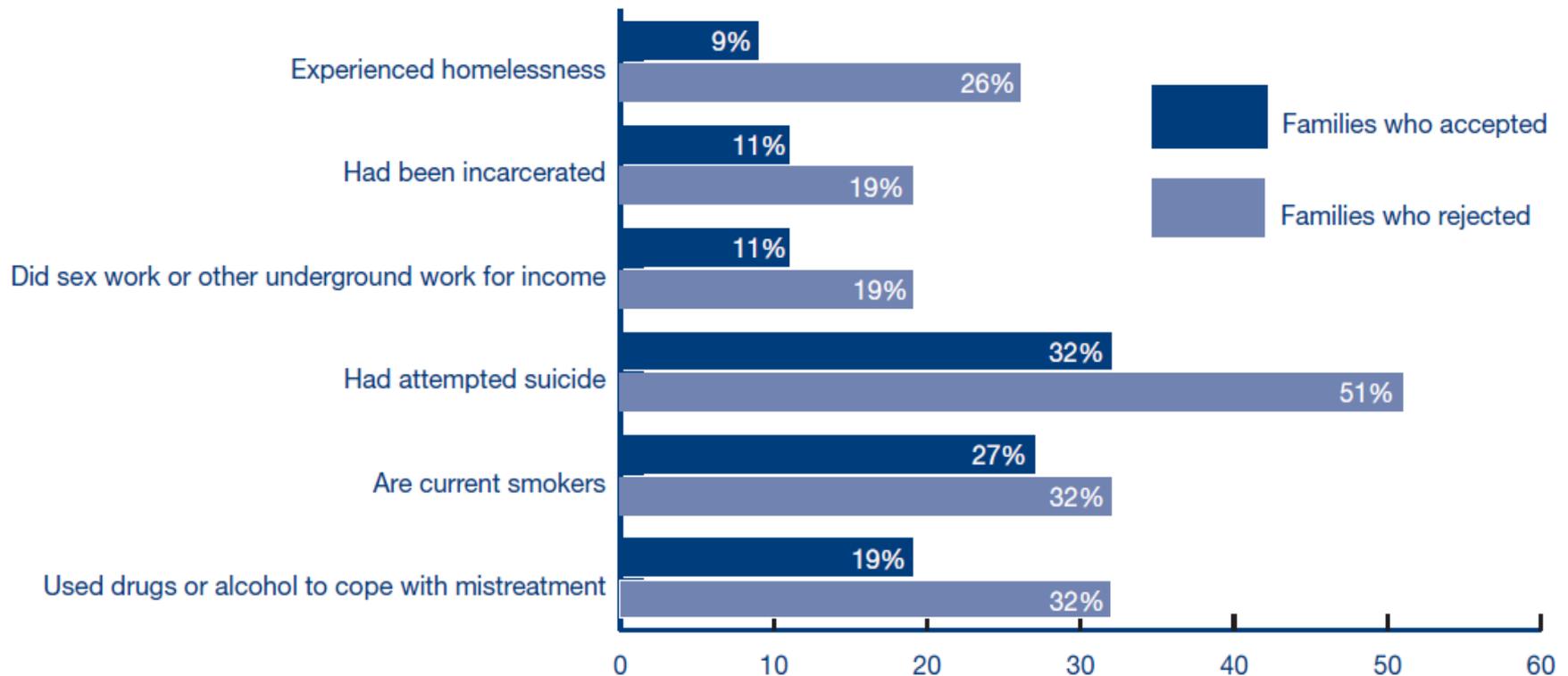
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Circumstances in which people are born...

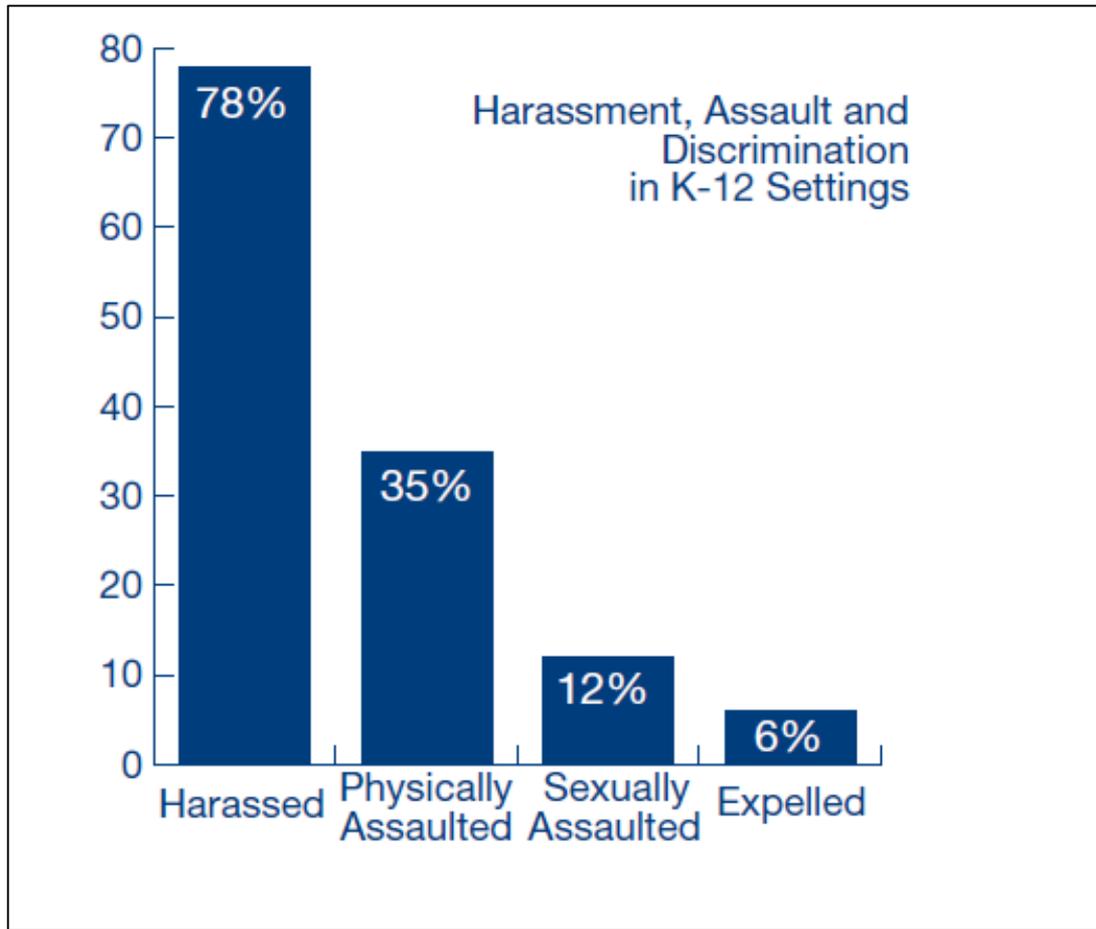


- 57% of study participants experienced significant family rejection.

Impact of Family Acceptance

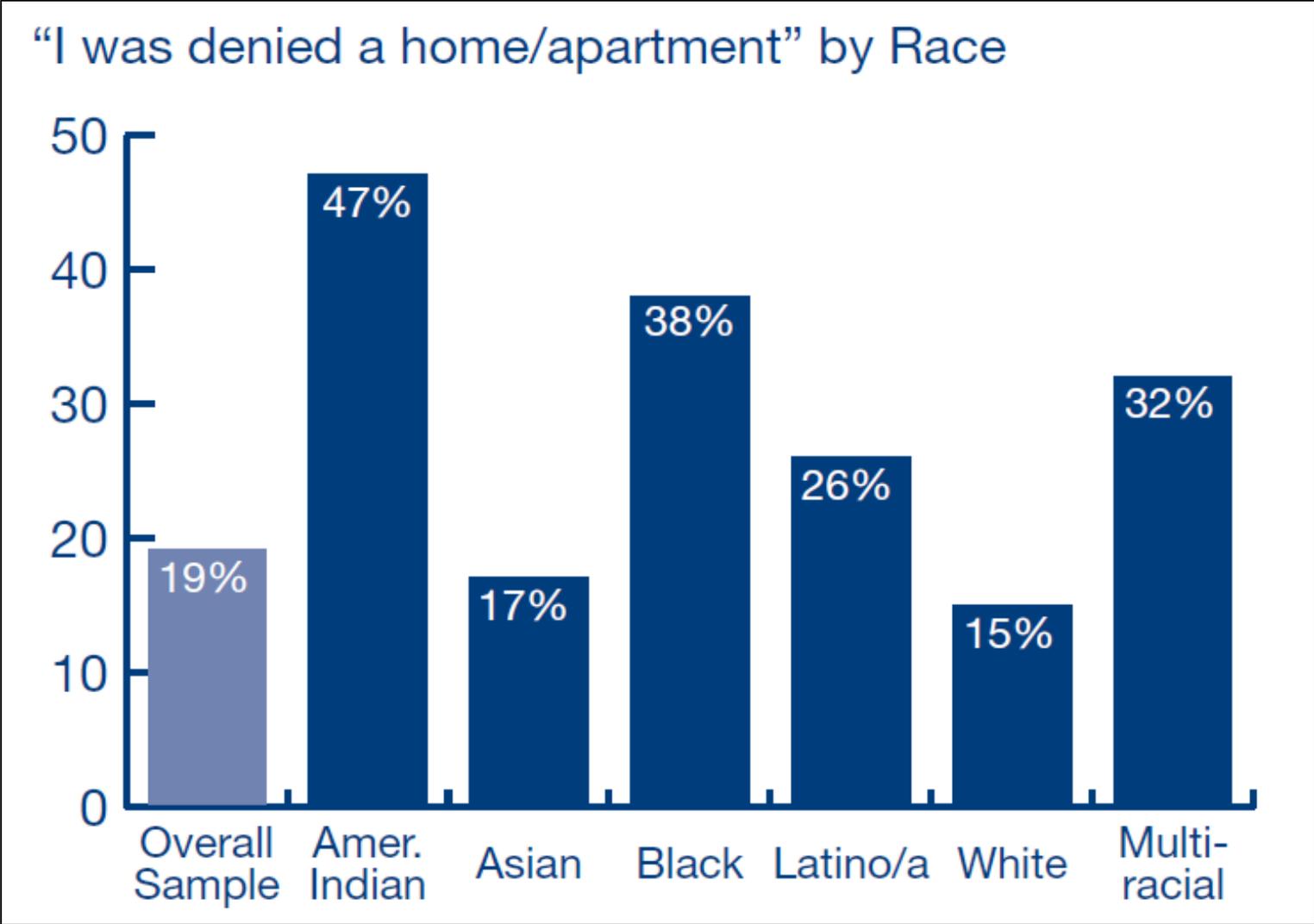


Circumstances in which people grow up...



-Harassment was so severe that it led almost one out of six (15%) to leave a school in K-12 settings or in higher education.

Circumstances in which people live...



Experiences of Discrimination



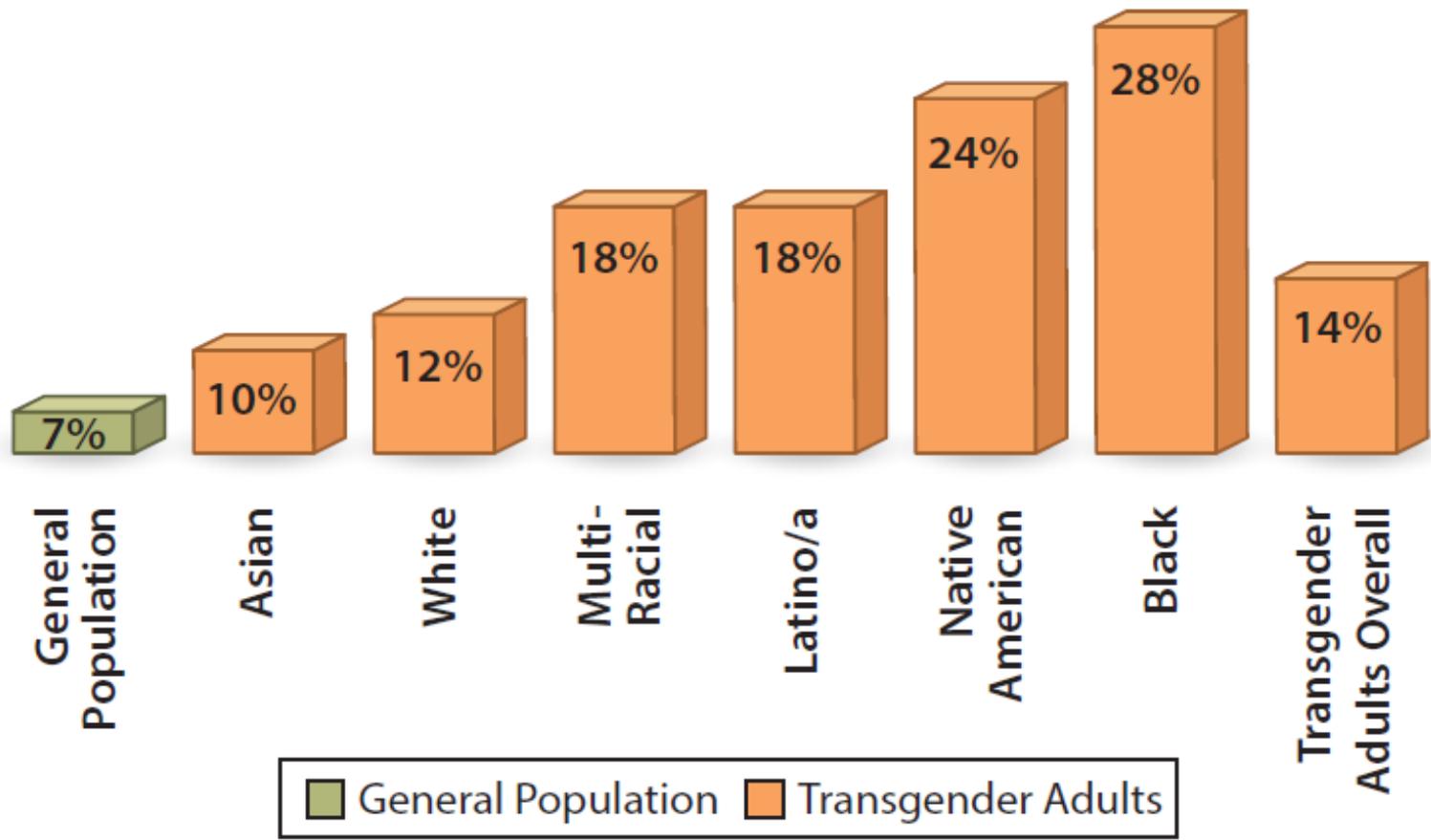
Experiences of Discrimination and Violence in Public Accommodations

Location	Denied Equal Treatment	Harassed or Disrespected	Physically Assaulted
Retail Store	32%	37%	3%
Police Officer	20%	29%	6%
Doctor's Office or Hospital	24%	25%	2%
Hotel or Restaurant	19%	25%	2%
Government Agency/Official	22%	22%	1%
Bus, Train, or Taxi	9%	22%	4%
Emergency Room	13%	16%	1%
Airplane or Airport Staff/TSA	11%	17%	1%
Judge or Court Official	12%	12%	1%
Mental Health Clinic	11%	12%	1%
Legal Services Clinic	8%	6%	1%
Ambulance or EMT	5%	7%	1%
Domestic Violence Shelter/Program	6%	4%	1%
Rape Crisis Center	5%	4%	1%
Drug Treatment Program	3%	4%	1%

Circumstances in which people work...



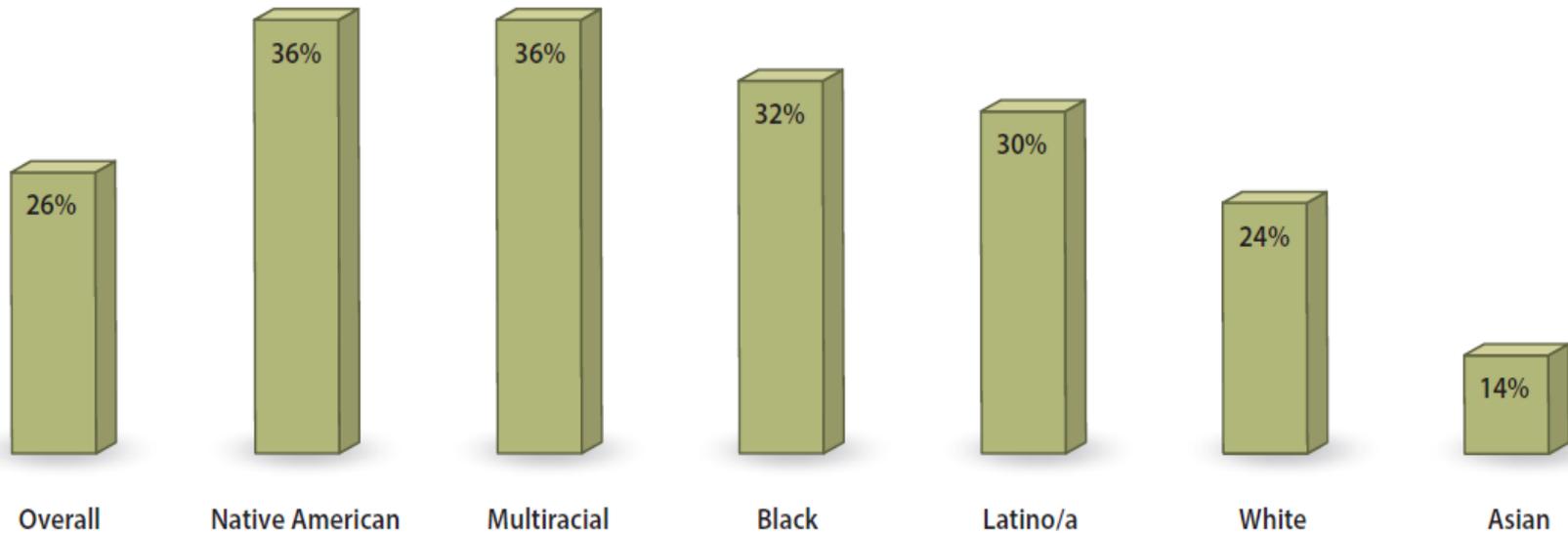
Figure 5: Unemployment Rates for Transgender Adults by Race



Percent Having Lost a Job Because They Are Transgender, by Race

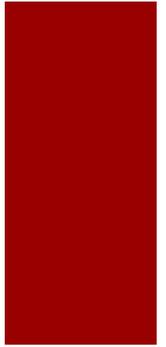
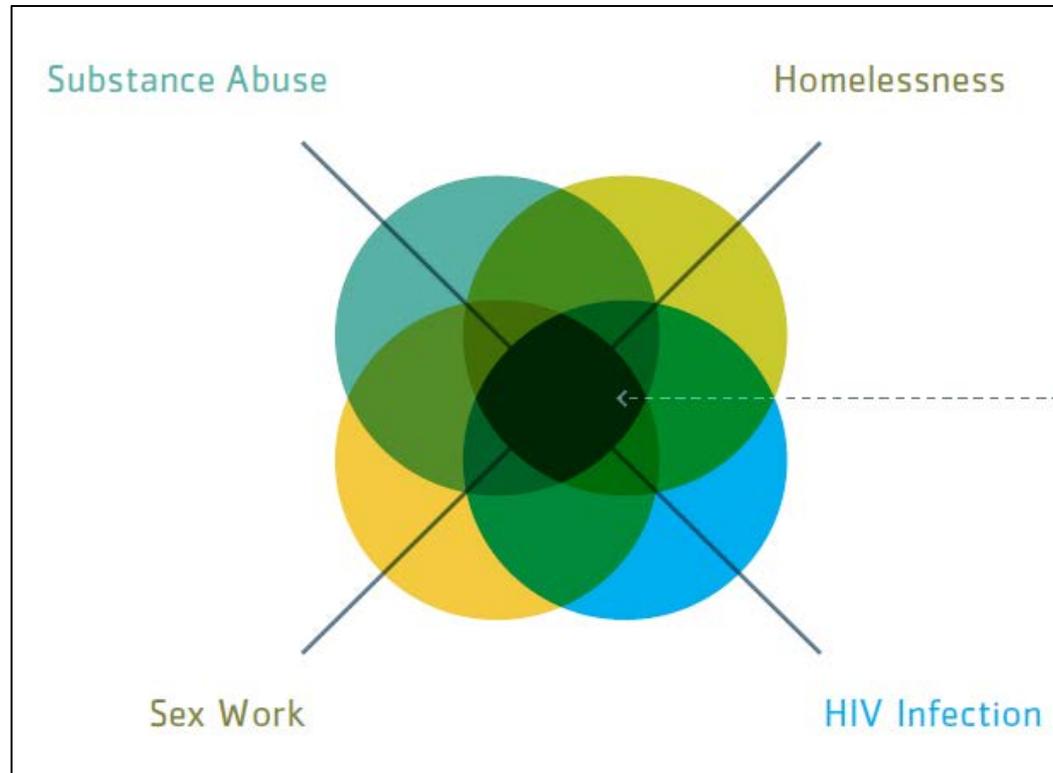


Figure 11: Percent of Transgender Respondents Reporting Having Lost a Job Because They Are Transgender
By Race



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Syndemic



“A mutually reinforcing interaction of disease and social conditions”

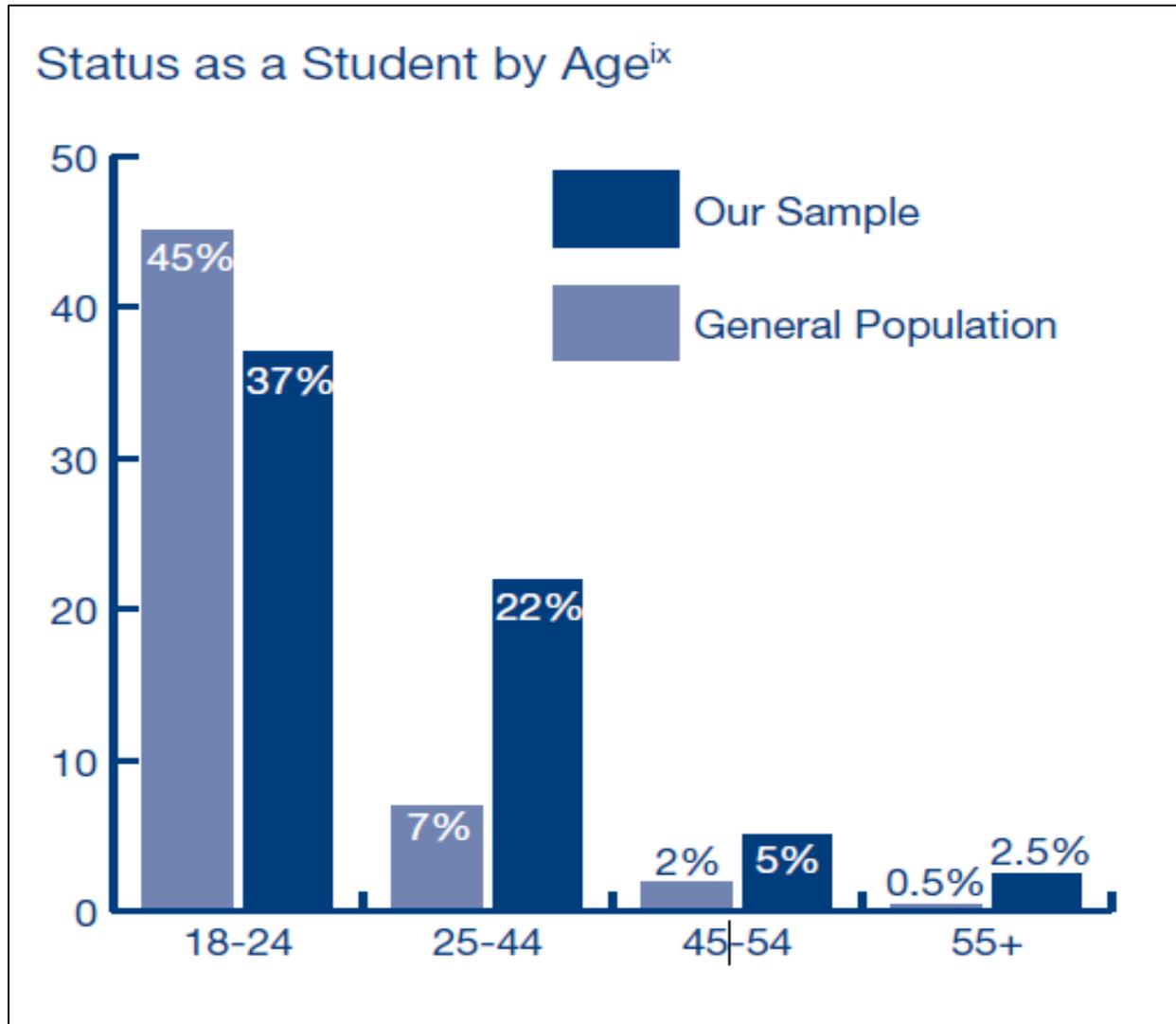
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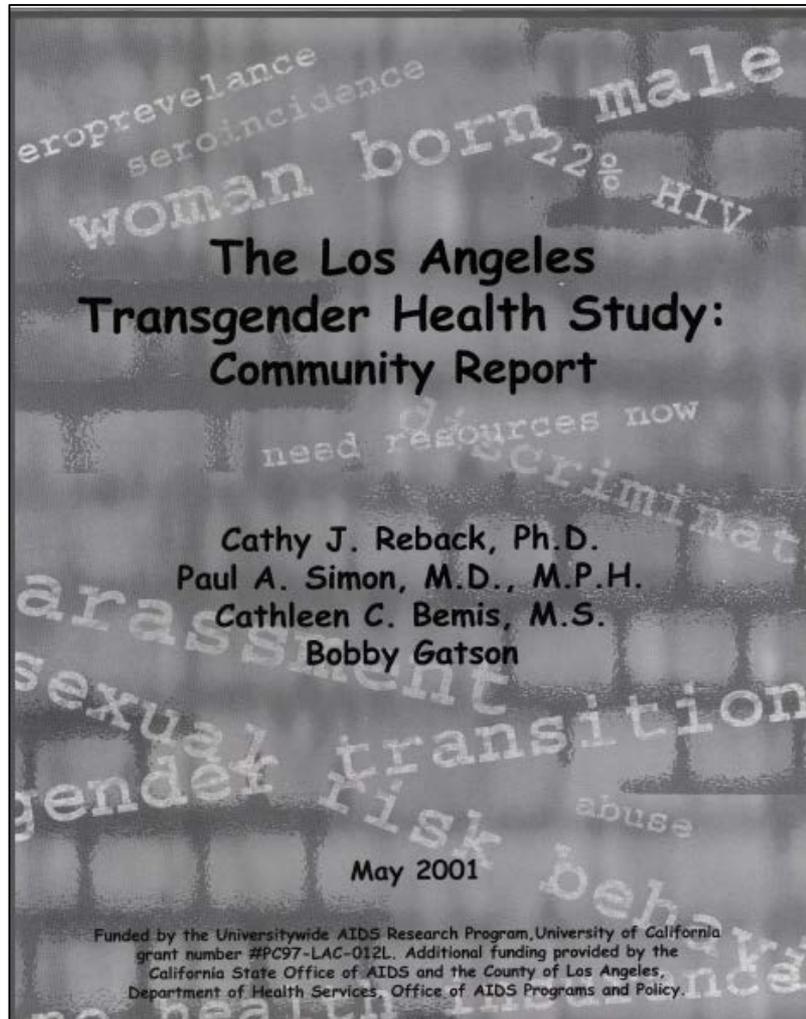
Respondents who had lost a job due to bias compared to those who did not lose a job due to bias experienced:

- four times the rate of homelessness
- 70% more current drinking or misuse of drugs to cope with mistreatment
- 85% more incarceration
- more than double the rate working in the underground economy, and
- more than double the HIV infection rate

Resiliency



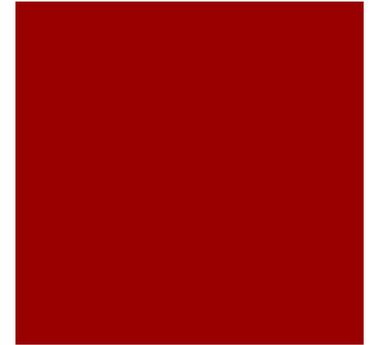
The Los Angeles Transgender Health Study



50% or more reported:

- History of incarceration;
- Had relied on sex work as their main source of income;
- Did not have health insurance;
- Had injected hormones, silicone or oil;
- Had gotten hormones off the street; and
- Had been high on either alcohol or other drugs while having sex in the last six months.

Getting to Wellness

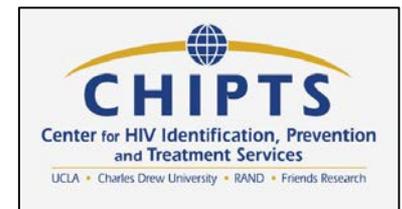


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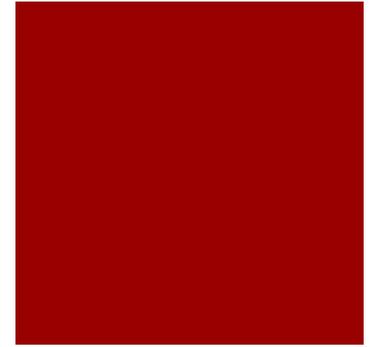
A Roadmap for
Improving the Health
of Transgender
Individuals in
Los Angeles County

June 2013

Wellness Center Vision: *to ensure the health and wellness of the transgender community in LAC by responding to the immediate needs of individuals while creating an environment where transgender people can flourish.*



Transgender Wellness Center: *Implementation Principles*

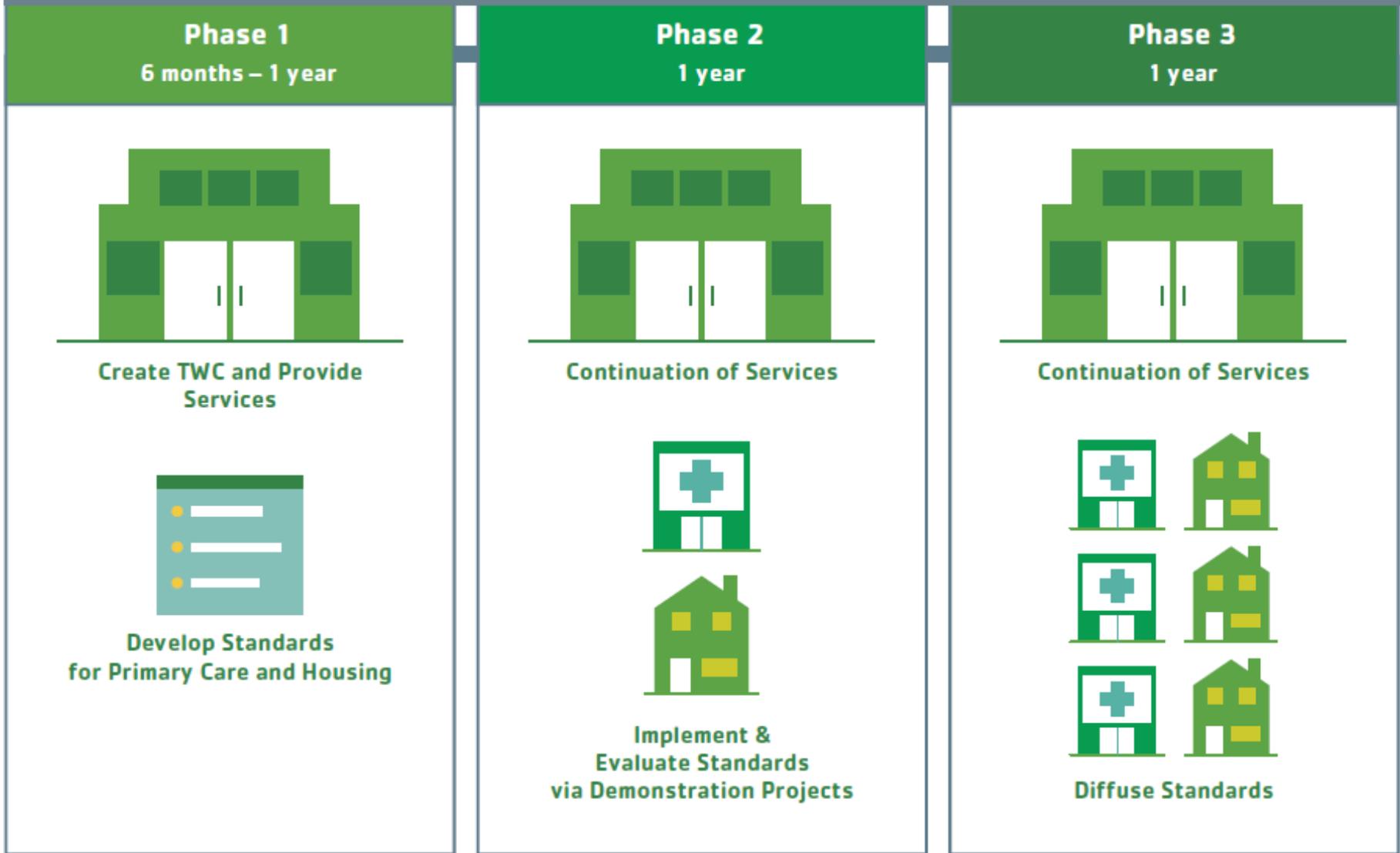


- Collaboration and coordination of services
- Meaningful community input
- Whole person health and wellness
- Strength-based perspective
- Inclusivity and accessibility
- Address individual and environment needs with equal effort
- Sustainability

Model 1a: Accreditation: Primary Care & Housing



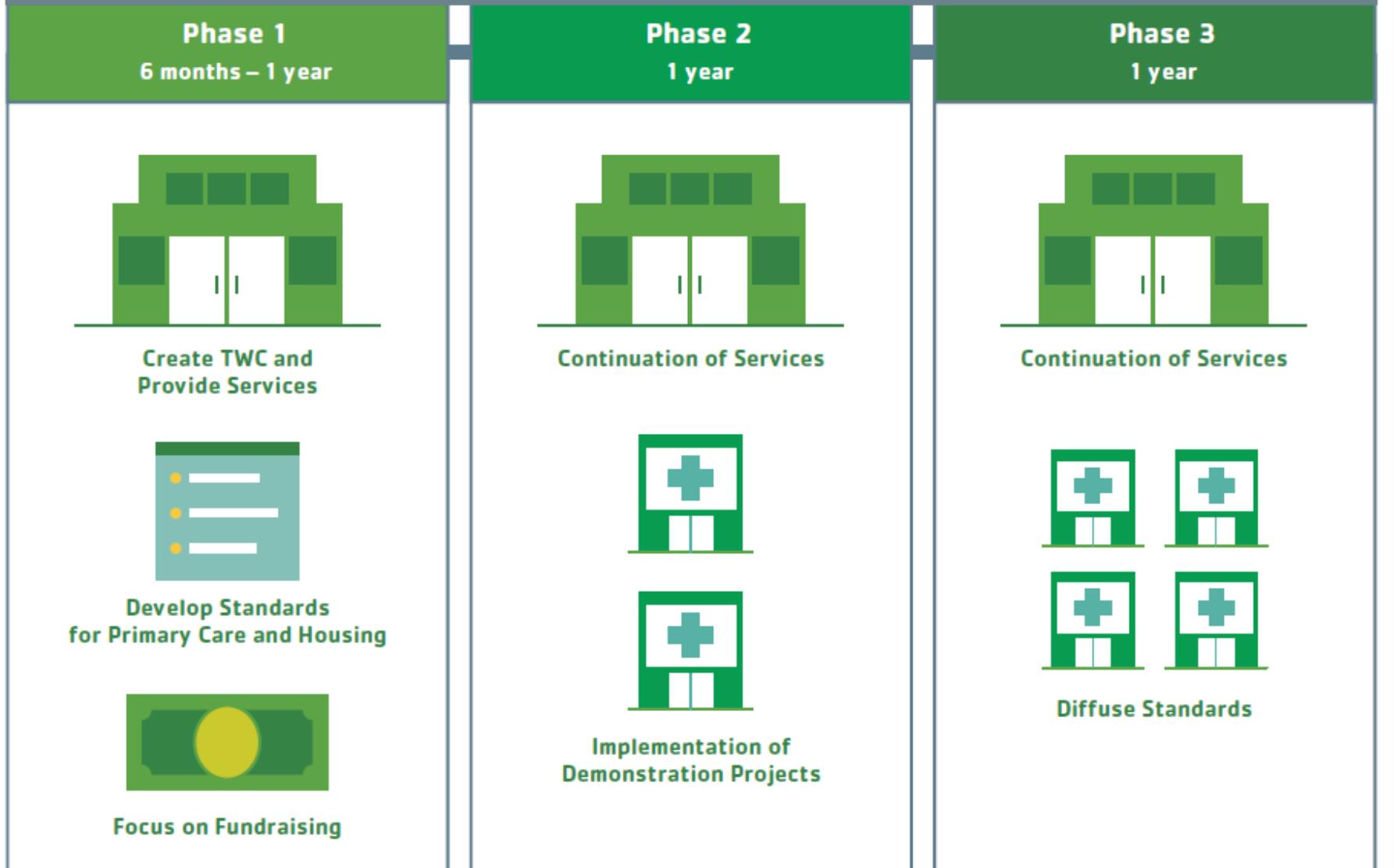
Figure 1: The Accreditation Model: Focus on Primary Care and Housing



Model 1b: Accreditation: Focus on Primary Care

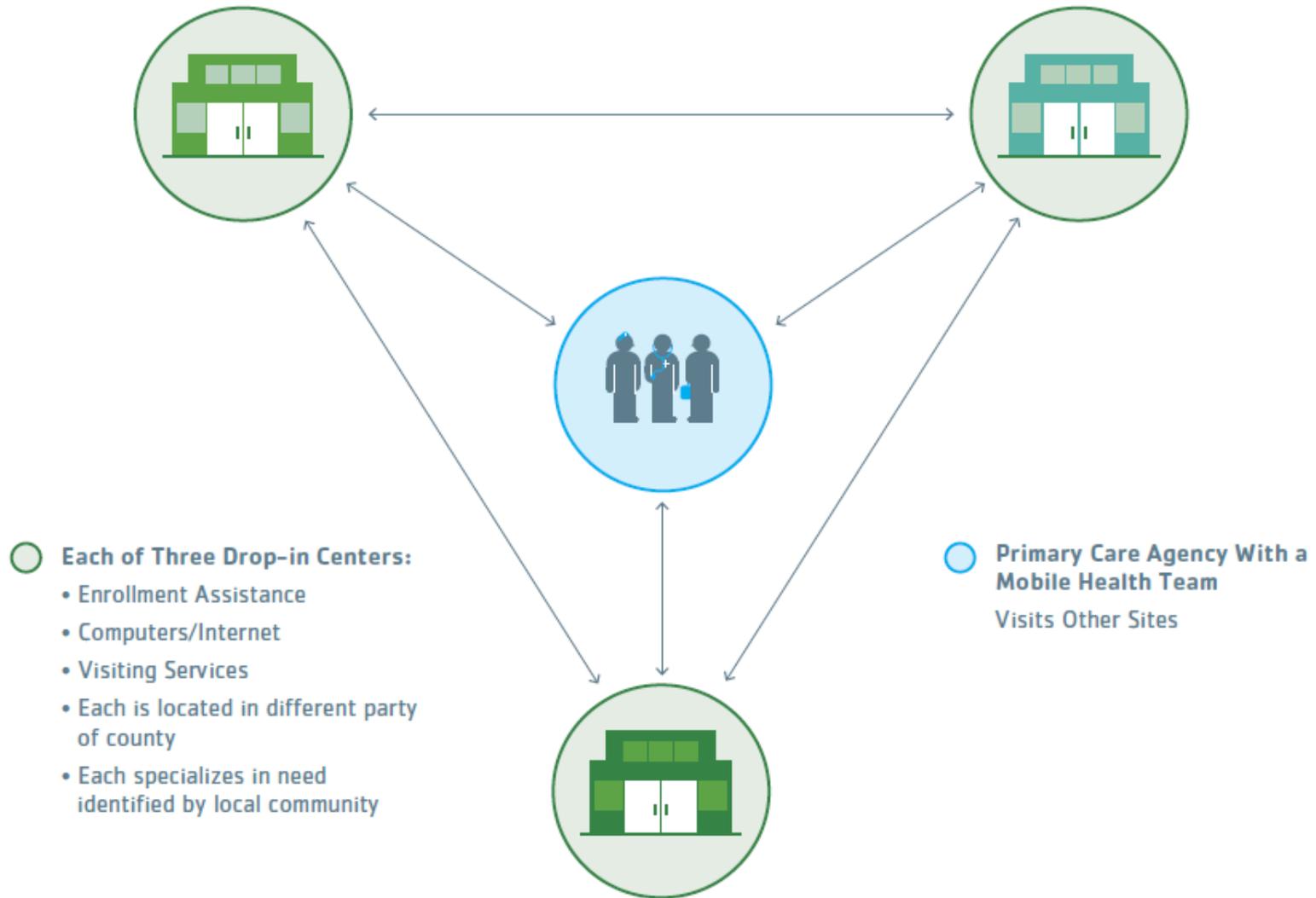


Figure 2: The Accreditation Model: Focus on Primary Care



Model 2: Focus on Decentralization

Figure 3: The Centers for Transgender Wellness Model: Focus on Decentralization



Thank you!

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