The State of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Health Care Access in Orange County: Health Care and Mental Health Care Experiences Among LGBT Populations in Orange County

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Background and Objective

 LGBT individuals experience significant health disparities

Objective: Examine health care and mental health care experiences of LGBT community and identify gaps



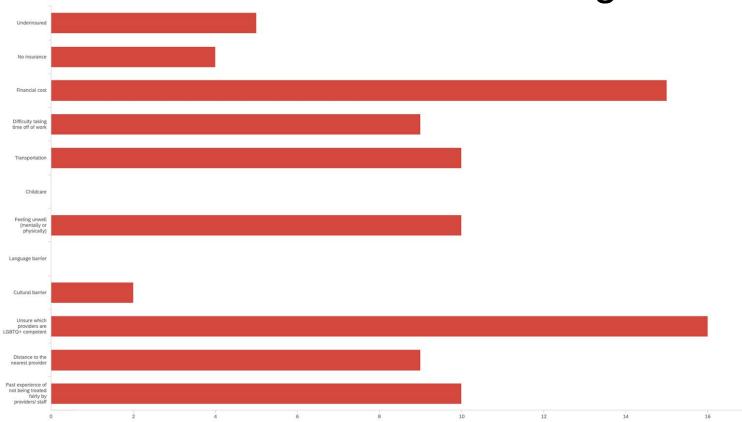
Methods

 Quantitative cross-sectional study utilizing survey data

Preliminary Data Analysis

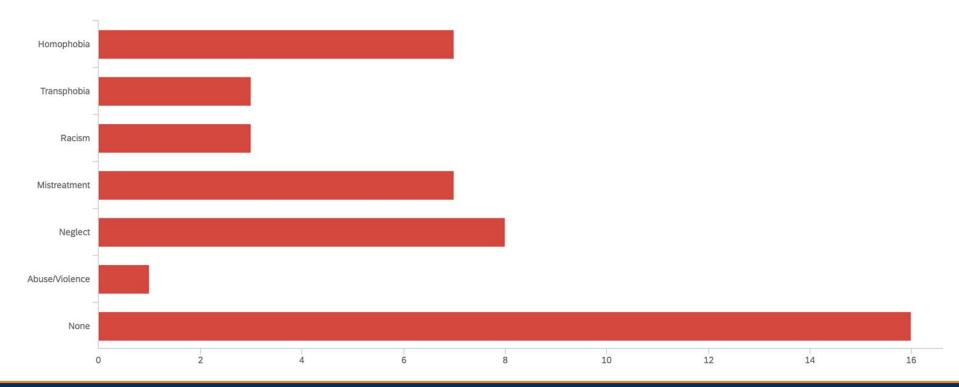
- Descriptive data presented
- n = 61

Results: Barriers to accessing care



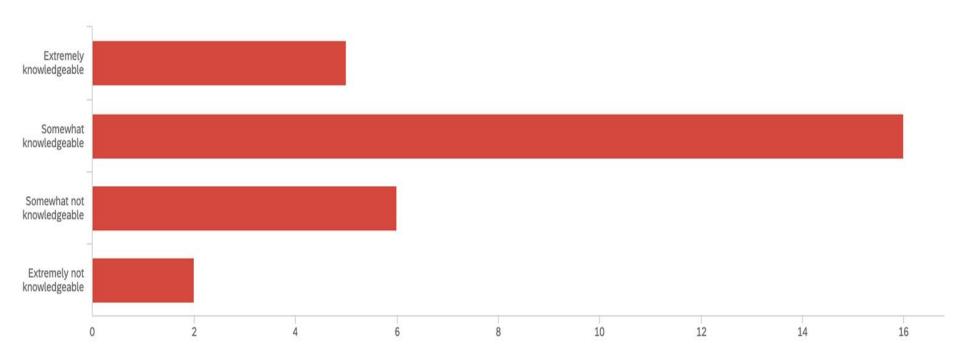


Results: Have you experienced or felt you have exp. any of the following by a HCP?





Results: How knowledgeable do you feel your providers are about LGBTQ+ issues?





Additional Results

- Majority able to find the HEALTH CARE services they needed and have not had problems finding a provider
 - -However, are having to go to multiple, different locations
 - -Prefer "one-stop shop" (medical, mental, dental, case mgmt, food pantry, education)



Discussion

- Have a better understanding/pilot data
- Focus groups would be helpful to further clarify experiences
 - Ex. Define "somewhat knowledgeable" provider
 - Better way/different location to receive care?
 - Suggestions to remove barriers
 - Can we do anything to reduce costs?



Future Directions

- Will continue to recruit for survey, IRB modification done to expand online recruitment activities.
- Will be conducting focus groups to further explore survey findings.
- Submit manuscript for publication.



Limitations

- Convenience sample
- Limited sample size
- COVID-19 pandemic stopped additional recruitment activities
- Full analysis is in progress



THANK YOU!!!

Q&A

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*Resources available upon request.



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