

Bisexuality, Fluidity of Sexuality and HIV Prevention

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Got CRABS?



C: confidentiality

R: respect

A: attentiveness

B: be open

S: sensitivity

GOAL



This workshop aims to raise providers' awareness about bisexuality and enhance their knowledge in working with diverse issues around sexuality as it relates to HIV prevention

OBJECTIVES

Participants will be able to:

- Discuss difference between Orientation, Behavior and Identity (OBI)
- Discuss how “OBI” relates to HIV prevention and sexual risk



Who are you and what do you want?

Please tell us:

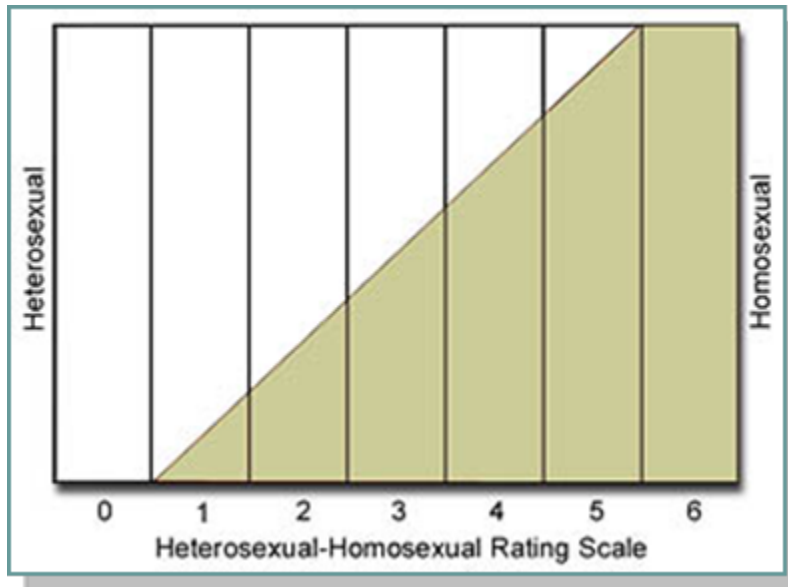
- your name
- where you work
- what you do
- what you hope to get out of this workshop



Working definitions

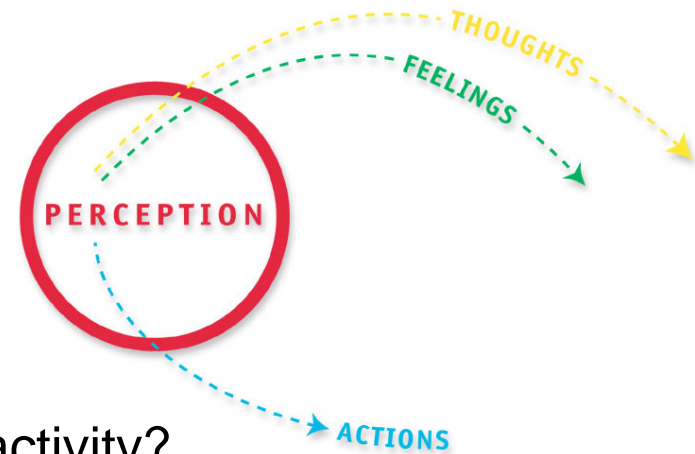
- **Sex:** The definition of a person as male, female, or intersexed based on their physical appearance and/or primary sexual characteristics.
- **Gender:** A societal construct used to classify a person as male, female, both, or neither.
 - * Fluid and can change across a lifetime (individuals or society).
- **Orientation:** The direction of an individual's sexual interest or desire.
 - * This can be based on the sex of their intimate partner(s).
- **Behavior:** What one does to physically express their sexuality.
- **Identity:** How one identifies sexually.

Kinsey Scale



- 0- Exclusively heterosexual with no homosexual
- 1- Predominantly heterosexual, only incidentally homosexual
- 2- Predominantly heterosexual, but more than incidentally homosexual
- 3- Equally heterosexual and homosexual
- 4- Predominantly homosexual, but more than incidentally heterosexual
- 5- Predominantly homosexual, only incidentally heterosexual
- 6- Exclusively homosexual

Discussion



- What was it like to do this activity?
- What was most difficult about this activity?
- Were you surprised by anything?
- What does this all have to do with HIV prevention?
- Were your original expectations met?

Community Resources



- National Gay and Lesbian Task Force
Bisexual Health – Model Practices Report
www.thetaskforce.org
- The Fenway Institute, Boston, MA
Publications/Materials for Bisexuals
www.thefenwayinstitute.org
- BiNet USA, Arlington, VA
Online resources – support groups
www.binetusa.org
- American Institute of Bisexuality
www.bisexual.org