



# LGBTI In-Custody Populations

# WHAT'S THAT ACRONYM MEAN ??

- Lesbian
- Gay
- Bisexual
- Transgender
- Intersex
- (About 8% of the prison population)???

# WHY ARE WE TALKING ABOUT THIS ??

- Changes in federal and state laws
  - Specific protections under human rights statutes
  - Repeal of DADT
  - Expansion of marriage laws
  - PREA

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- Bureau of Justice Statistics

- Gay, lesbian and bisexual inmates are at the most risk of being sexually victimized in confinement
- 12.2% non-heterosexual inmates report being sexually victimized in prisons within their first 12 months compared to 4%

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  - 35% of transgender inmates held in prisons reported one or more incidents of sexual victimization by another inmate or facility staff
  - 40% said they had been physically injured by the perpetrator

# HOW DOES ANY OF THIS RELATE TO REENTRY ??

- Institutional experiences affect an inmates ability to reintegrate into our communities
- 73% of LGBT people (not inmates) surveyed had contact with police during the past five years
- Some pre-incarceration contact with law enforcement may be due to marginalization

# **LGBTI populations face bias, discrimination and disparities in virtually every sector of society.....**

Employment

**Corrections**

Courts

Hate Crimes

Healthcare

Homelessness

Housing

Marriage

Medicare/Medicaid

Mental Health/Substance Abuse

Military and Veterans

Motor Vehicle

Police

Research

Schools

Seniors

Socioeconomics

Social Security (ID)

Travel

Veterans

Victimization

and more.....

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- Careful case planning
- Linkages with community resources
- Linkages with community supervision