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As the largest civil rights organization working to achieve equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Americans, the Human Rights Campaign represents a force of more than 1.5 million members and supporters nationwide — all committed to making HRC’s vision a reality. Founded in 1980, HRC advocates on behalf of LGBT Americans, mobilizes grassroots actions in diverse communities, invests strategically to elect fair-minded individuals to office and educates the public about LGBT issues.

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The mission of WHERC is to provide comprehensive, exemplary health education programs to women and their loved ones that inform, support, and empower women to achieve their optimal level of health. UCLA is recognized as a model for women’s health care, uniting research, clinical care, medical training, public health education, and the promotion of women professionals around a common mission-to improve the health of diverse women across the life span. Iris Cantor-UCLA Women's Health Center aims to:

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3. Train young physicians and scientist in women's health, including gender differences at the basic science level
4. Educate and empower women to achieve their optimal health

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**Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, Office of Women’s Health**

The Office of Women’s Health (OWH) was established in 1998 to improve health, health equity, well-being, and access to culturally responsive, comprehensive health services for women in Los Angeles County through county and community collaborations, education, and the promotion of evidence-based programs and policies. The OWH collaborates with community partners on issues affecting women’s health, publishes data reports on the health of LA County women, implements programs/campaigns affecting women over 40 years of age, and makes appointments for free or low cost Pap tests and mammograms for low income women who call the 7 language appointment & referral hotline.

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Los Angeles County Lesbian and Bisexual Women’s Health Collaborative

The Los Angeles County Lesbian and Bisexual Women’s Health Collaborative (LBWHC) was created by individuals concerned about health disparities for lesbian and bisexual women of Los Angeles. Lesbian and bisexual women’s health was identified as a priority issue at the 2007 Women’s Health Summit sponsored by the LA County Department of Public Health’s Office of Women’s Health. In 2008, the City Council of the City of West Hollywood adopted the Lesbian Health Bill of Rights, which was written by the City of West Hollywood’s Lesbian Visibility Committee. Members of the Lesbian Visibility Committee worked with the Los Angeles County Office of Women’s Health to host the first meeting of local key stakeholders in lesbian and bisexual women’s health. This evolved into the LA County Lesbian and Bisexual Women’s Health Collaborative (LBWHC), established in 2009.

The LBWHC is made up of individuals and organizations with experience advocating for the health and wellbeing of lesbians and bisexual women. Members represent health care facilities, government agencies, community organizations, and academic institutions. The LBWHC recently completed conducting focus groups with underrepresented lesbian and bisexual women to solicit their health care opinions and experiences. The data collected from this study will serve as the foundation for improving cultural competency training curriculum targeting health care professionals.

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Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Center

The L.A. Gay & Lesbian Center provides a broad array of services for the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender community, welcoming nearly a quarter-million client visits from ethnically diverse youth and adults each year. Through its Jeffrey Goodman Special Care Clinic and on-site pharmacy, the Center offers free and low-cost health, mental health, HIV/AIDS medical care and HIV/STD testing and prevention. The Center also offers legal, social, cultural, and educational services, with unique programs for seniors, families and youth, including a 24-bed transitional living program for homeless youth.

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