The National Policy on Health for LGBT in Brazil:
an analysis about its implementation and the situation of violence against LGBT in Brazil from 2014 to 2017

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The National Policy on Health for LGBT:
analysis, evaluation and training strategies for the improvement of
the Brazilian National Health System

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Key points

1. Brazilian National Health System and the implementation of The National Policy on Health for LGBT

2. Highlights about violence against LGBT in Brazil

3. Challenges for LGBT population in Brazil in the field of Health
Population: 212 millions

Racial composition

- White: 47.51%
- Pardo: 43.42%
- Indigenous: 0.43%
- Preto: 7.52%
- Yellow: 1.1%
Brazilian National Health System

Sistema Único de Saúde

Universality of coverage

Integrality of care

Equity in health
National Policy on Health for LGBT

Strategic Axes

- LGBT population access to health assistance
- Health Surveillance
- Health Promotion
- Health Education with focus on LGBT population
- Mobilization, Articulation and Social Participation
- Health services monitoring

States where the National Policy was implemented officially implemented by state laws as State’s Policy on Health for LGBT. Brazil, 2019.
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Cases of victims of LGBTphobia, Brazil, 2014 to 2017.

Source: SINAN, Ministry of Health, Brazil, 2019. N=24,565
Highlight: violence against LGBT in Brazil

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The data is still underreported. There is a lack of oficial data.

Brazil is a country where hate crimes against LGBT are very frequent.

1 homicide caused by LGTBphobia each 23 hours (Brazilian Secretary of Human Rights, 2014)

Life expectancy for transman or tranwoman is 35 years old while for a cisgender man or cisgender woman is about 77 years old (Brazilian Senate Chamber, 2017)

Structural LGBTphobia

Units of Social Service which do not accept to attend transgenders in Brazil, 2017.

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HIV Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis dispensation by municipalities of Brazil, 2018-2019.

Source: SICLOM, Ministry of Health, Brazil, 2019. N= 11,395
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South and Southeast Regions

80% of national PrEp dispensation

Structural Racism
Structural Transphobia

70% of PREP for gays and MsM
47% for white
69% with 12 years or more of scholarship

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In line with the topics pointed by the World Health Organization for Americas, the main challenges in Brazil nowadays are:

1. Lack of **intersectoral** and intersectional approach and excessive focus on HIV;
2. Insufficient **training** for health professionals;
3. High prevalence of **discrimination**;
4. Uneven implementation of anti-discrimination **laws**;
5. Lack of **protocols** and standards of care;
6. Lack of **data collection**;
7. **Structural violence, rise of fascism and intolerance**.

Source: Addressing the causes of disparities in access to and use of health services by lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people. PAHO. WHO. 2018.

What are we doing?

In 2019 we launched an Open Online Course about the National Policy on Health for LGBT in Brazil.

The content has an intersectional perspective among the markers of sex, race, gender and sexuality.

It is **free and offered online** at Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul website.

We have more than 4,000 participants, most of them are from small and rural areas.

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Concluding participants of Open Online Course about the National Policy on Health for LGBT, Brazil, 2019.
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Obrigado!

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