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Advancing Health Equity in Disparity Populations: A Focused Issue on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender People

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The Journal of the American Psychiatric Nurses Association is inviting papers for a focused issue of the journal that focus on a range of topics related to the emotional and behavioral health of members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) communities. For this special issue, the editors are seeking manuscripts that advance knowledge of the social and environmental determinants of emotional and behavioral health disparities among LGBT populations, methodologies that advance measurement and data collection, interventions aimed at prevention and treatment, the identification of factors associated with resilience, and analysis of policy approaches to improving LGBT health and well-being. Manuscripts may be analytic or descriptive in format and should include implications of findings for research, treatment, and public policy programs. Manuscripts focused on international perspectives are also welcomed.

Editors are seeking manuscripts addressing but not limited to the following broad range of topics:

• The role of nursing in promoting resilience and improving the mental well-being of LGBT individuals, including incorporating LGBT health content into nursing curricula;
• The identification of social, cultural, and environmental determinants of poor mental health and engagement in health risk behaviors such as drug and alcohol use;
• The discussion of theoretical and analytic frameworks for improving understanding of intersectionality and mental well-being;
• The evaluation of prevention and mental health promotion interventions across the life span;
• Discussion of clinical and research best practices for the prevention and management of mental and behavioral health problems;
• Studies focusing on identifying metrics for measuring and monitoring LGBT mental and behavioral health;
• Papers focused on the design, implementation, and evaluation of policies, services, and interventions that improve LGBT mental health outcomes;
• Enhancing training of health-care providers and communication to policy makers about LGBT health;
• Discussion and analysis of university and community partnerships aimed at reducing LGBT mental health disparities; and
• Papers focused on resilience and protective factors.

Deadline for Submission: April 1, 2013
Anticipated publication date: October 1, 2013
Submission guidelines: Manuscript submissions will be reviewed per the usual journal procedures. Please refer to the journal for author guidelines.
Any questions about this special issue may be directed to Dr. Alicia Matthews at (312) 996-7885 or aliciak@uic.edu.

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