

Coming Out and Disclosures: LGBT Persons Across the Life Span

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Experiences of gay and lesbian patients with inflammatory bowel disease: a mixed methods study

Abstract

Chronic illness research involving lesbian and gay people typically focuses on HIV/AIDS, cancer, and mental health. The authors extend the evidence with a two-phase mixed methods exploration of gay and lesbian people's experiences with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), collecting demographic, disease history, and outcomes data from 50 community-based respondents and conducting 22 semi-structured interviews. Of the 12 key themes identified, 8 resonate with concerns reported in the heterosexual IBD population, while 4—sexual activity, receiving health care, IBD and lesbian and gay life, identity and coming out—are unique to this study population. The physical and practical aspects of IBD match those of the heterosexual community and can be managed similarly. Gay and bisexual men require precise information about sexual activity/restrictions, and staff should address the psychological needs of patients by enabling coming out and partner involvement.

Inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) is a chronic lifetime disease, often requiring intense periods of contact with gastroenterologists and specialist IBD and stoma care nurses. Gay and lesbian (GL) patients have historically been poorly supported in health interactions (Albarán and Salmon, 2000). Recent evidence suggests little improvement, in spite of worldwide progress addressing the rights of those with alternative identities (Sinding et al, 2004; Fish, 2010).

From among the 62.3 million who live in the UK, 250,000 (0.4%) have IBD and 3.6 million (5.9%) may be homosexual. This implies that over 14,000 gay and lesbian people (GLP) in the UK may have IBD. Disease characteristics, symptoms, and complications are likely to be common to all people, but it is not known whether social, psychological, and illness-related concerns are similar, or if there are unique issues associated with having a different sexual identity and IBD that require additional support.

IBD, predominantly comprising Crohn's disease (CD) and ulcerative colitis (UC), follows

an unpredictable relapsing-and-remitting course.

Key symptoms include diarrhoea; weight loss; abdominal pain; vomiting; and illness-related anorexia, anaemia, and fatigue (Whayman et al, 2011). Medical management includes the use of powerful anti-inflammatory and biologic therapies, with potentially significant side effects. Surgical management includes bowel resection, temporary or permanent ileostomy, and ileoanal pouch construction (Mowat et al, 2011). Prior to the introduction of biological therapies it was estimated that 30%–40% of UC, and 80% of CD patients would require surgery at least once (Rampton and Shanahan, 2006). Extraintestinal complications including iritis (inflammation of the iris of the eye) and arthropathy (disease of the joints with or without inflammation) can occur (Ardizzone et al, 2008). Moreover, bowel control difficulties feature in both diseases (Norton et al, 2013).

Coming out

GLP usually develop methods for revealing their sexuality. It is not known whether coming-

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LGBT persons face multiple challenges when entering the coming out process, regardless of their age or place in society. Coming Out and Disclosures: LGBT. Coming Out and Disclosures is a comprehensive guide to the coming-out process for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) individuals, how to prepare. Book Review: Coming Out and Disclosures: LGBT Persons Across the Life Span (). Ski Hunter. New York: Haworth Press, pp, US \$, ISBN. Coming Out and Disclosures: LGBT Persons across the Life Span by Ski Hunter \$ buy online or call us (+64) +64 9 from The Women's Bookshop . Coming Out and Disclosures: LGBT Persons Across the Life Span is a comprehensive guide to the coming out process for LGBT individuals. LGBT Persons Across the Life Span Ski Hunter Still, many of these persons do not live much differently from how lesbian and gay persons lived in the s. Coming Out and Disclosures: LGBT Persons Across the Life Span guide to the coming out process for LGBT individuals, how to prepare for disclosure, and. Title: Coming Out and Disclosures: LGBT Persons Across the Life Span. Coming Out and Disclosures: LGBT Persons Across the Life Span brings together into a. Keywords: diversity, disparity, aging, older adults, life course, LGBT In large urban centers, estimates of the number of LGB persons increase to the moral value of coming out and the discrepant perceptions of disclosure Our lives are embedded in social relationships and interactions across the life span (Elder). The cohort of LGBT people currently in later life grew up and moved into adulthood in For example, 33 percent had not disclosed to their neighbors, and more than 30 For transgender people, coming out later in life also means working through In a life span sample of transgender persons, Kenagy () found a. Keywords: Life course, Life span, Identity development, Work, Kin and family In comparison, most research about LGBT people's life events has or disclosed; the Silenced Generation, who came of age in the late s and the LGBT older adults' life events across key life domains identified in earlier. For LGBTQI+ persons referring to individuals who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender individuals may be subject to bullying across the life span, but the Transgender students often face difficulty with coming out because their .. and meaning-making around self-disclosure and coming out, says Chan. This article talks about how people gathered in Atlanta to support the LGBTQ . Coming Out and Disclosures: LGBT Persons across the Life Span. The. It is a developmental process unique to gay people. The concepts of coming out and gay identities are relatively new ones . he is, how safe a disclosure of a male partner might be in his town, and other factors. Kop Midlife and Older LGBT Adults av Ski Hunter pa china-airlines.com Coming Out and Disclosures: LGBT Persons Across the Life Span is a comprehensive guide. Current older cohorts of LGBT persons came of age during a significantly different Hunter S. Coming out and disclosures: LGBT persons across the life span. coming out, self-determination theory, gay, lesbian, bisexual . in their life, indicating selective disclosure. Thus, individuals across the life span vary in how. Keywords: internalized homophobia, coming out, lesbian, gay, bisexual Coming out and disclosures: LGBT

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