

WHO WE ARE

The Penn Medicine Program for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Health works to improve the care of all LGBT people. The Program is part of Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.



OUR TO YOU

We are committed to providing the best **PROMISE** care for the LGBT community in a safe and friendly environment.

As a Penn patient, LGBT individuals will be treated with the respect they deserve.

The Penn Medicine Program for LGBT Health partners patients with compassionate and skilled providers across the health system that offer culturally competent care in a judgment-free setting.

Penn patients have the right to:

- Receive personalized and family-centered health care without discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression
- Designate your partner or child as a visitor, regardless of legal recognition

To learn more about patient rights at Penn Medicine, please visit PennMedicine.org/PatientRights.





IN THIS LGBT PATIENT SERVICES HANDBOOK, YOU WILL FIND:

- Penn Medicine providers who have self-identified as culturally competent in caring for LGBT patients
- Penn Medicine providers who regularly care for LGBT patients and have knowledge or special training in LGBT Health (LGBT Clinical Specialists)
- Recommendations on how to speak with your provider about your sexual orientation and/or gender identity
- Information about common health and wellness topics important to the LGBT community

The provider directory is not comprehensive and continues to grow. If you are a provider at Penn and would like to be listed, email LGBThlth@med.upenn.edu or call 215.573.8499.

Visit us on the web at PennMedicine.org/LGBT Like us on Facebook at Facebook.com/PennLGBT.

How to use this guide:

- indicates providers experienced in transgender health care
- P indicates providers who prescribe PrEP
- * indicates providers who are LGBT Clinical Specialists

PROVIDER DIRECTORY

PRIMARY CARE FAMILY MEDICINE

Penn Family and Community Health

Penn Medicine University City 3737 Market Street, 9th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.8777

Providers:

Katherine Margo, MD* P
Allison Myers, MD* P
Joseph Teel, MD, FAAFP P
Meghan Fibbi, DO, MPH P
Joshua Thompson, MD P
Kevin Kline P
Judy Chertok, MD P
James Becker, MD

Family Medicine University City

4623 Spruce Street Philadelphia, PA 19139 215.474.6100

Providers:

Aimee Ando, DO TP

INTERNAL MEDICINE

Edward S. Cooper Internal Medicine

3701 Market Street, Suite 640 Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2250

Providers:

Andrew W. Maier, MD Eric J. Palecek, MD Marisa A. Rogers, MD, MPH, FACP

Delancy Internal Medicine

Penn Medicine Washington Square 800 Walnut Street, 17th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107 215.829.3523

Providers:

Caitlin Dougherty, CRNP PHilary O'Neil. Johnson, CRNP PRaphael Karkowsky, MD PRaza Ahmad, MD P

Spruce Internal Medicine

Penn Medicine Washington Square 800 Walnut Street, 16th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107 215.829.0101

Providers:

Tamara Danilewitz, MD
Laura Tucker Honig, PA-C
Kathleen King, MD
Jennifer Nizen, MD
Lori Noble, MD
Robert S. Rudenstein, MD
Frica Wolf, MD

SPECIALTY CARE CARDIOVASCULAR MEDICINE

Penn Heart and Vascular Center

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine East Pavilion, 2nd Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.615.5455

Provider:

Rajat Deo, MD; Cardiac Electrophysiology, Arrhythmias

Penn Heart and Vascular Testing

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine Atrium, Ground Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2912

Provider:

Victor A. Ferrari, MD; Cardiovascular Diseases, Non-Invasive Testing

DERMATOLOGY

Penn Dermatology

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine South Pavilion, 1st Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2737

Provider:

Carrie L. Kovarik, MD*

ENDOCRINOLOGY, DIABETES, AND METABOLISM

Penn Endocrinology

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine West Pavilion, 4th Floor 3400 Civic Center Blvd Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2300

Provider:

Ilona Lorincz, MD; Endocrinology* 🕕

GASTROENTEROLOGY

Penn Presbyterian Medical Center

218 Wright Saunders Building 51 N. 39th Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.8900

Providers:

Mark Osterman, MD, MSCE; Endoscopy, Inflammatory Bowel Diseases Katherine Weyant, CRNP

Pennsylvania Hospital

Farm Journal Building, 4th Floor 230 West Washington Square Philadelphia, PA 19106 215.829.3561

Providers:

Manoj Shirodkar, MD; Endoscopy, General Gastroenterology Consultation

GERIATRIC MEDICINE

Penn Memory Center

Perelman Center For Advanced Medicine South Pavilion, 2nd Floor 3615 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.7810

Provider:

Jason Karlawish, MD; Cognitive Disorders

HEMATOLOGY/ONCOLOGY

Abramson Cancer Center

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine West Pavilion 3400 Civic Center Blvd Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.615.5858

Providers Lung Cancer:

Charu Aggarwal, MD, MPH; Lung, Head, and Neck Malignancies
Tracey Evans, MD; Thoracic Malignancies

Providers Rena Rowan Breast Center:

Amy Clark, MD Susan M. Domchek, MD

Provider Melanoma and Pigmented Lesions:

Tara C. Gangadhar, MD

Provider Gastrointestinal Oncology:

Arturo Loaiza-Bonilla, MD, FACP 🕡

Providers Hematology/Bone Marrow Transplant:

Saar Gill, MD Jakub Svoboda, MD; Lymphoma

Penn Radiation Oncology

Pennsylvania Hospital Widener Ground Level 800 Spruce Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 215.829.3873

Provider:

Geoffrey Geiger, MD; Brain, head, neck and avnecologic cancer

INFECTIOUS DISEASES/HIV/AIDS

Infectious Diseases

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine South Pavilion, 4th Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.6932

Providers:

Neil Fishman, MD Plan Frank, MD* Danet Hines, MD Pablo Tebas, MD P

Penn Community Practice

Penn Presbyterian Medical Center 3910 Powelton Ave, 2nd Floor Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.9908

Providers:

Delisha Breen, CRNP
Jody Gilmore, CRNP; Hepatitis
Charitha Gowda, MD
Brendan Kelly, MD
Alysa Krain, MD
Vin Lo Re, MD; Hepatitis
Richard Maniglia, MD
Carol McLaughlin, MD
Anne Norris, MD
Judy O'Donnell, MD
William Short, MD*

Penn Infectious Diseases & Travel Medicine

Pennsylvania Hospital Garfield Duncan Building, Suite 1B 301 South 8th Street 215.829.5354

Providers:

Jason Bofinger, MD (2)
Mike Brafman, MD (2)
Leigh Kennedy, DO (2)
John Stern, MD (2)

NEUROLOGY

Penn Neurology Pennsylvania Hospital 330 South 9th Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 215.829.7512

Provider:

Andres Deik, MD: Movement Disorders

OB/GYN AND FERTILITY CARE

Helen O. Dickens Center for Women's Health Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania

1 West Gates 3400 Spruce Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662-7366

Providers:

Rebecca W. Stephens, MSN, CRNP

Penn OG/GYN Associates

3701 Market St, Suite 371 Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.6035

Providers:

Lindsay Baukert, CRNP, MSN*
Iliana Robinson, MD, MPH
Peter Vasquez, MD*
Holly Cummings*

PROVIDER DIRECTORY

Penn Fertility Care

Penn Medicine Washington Square 800 Walnut Street, 10th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.829.2345

Providers:

Scott E. Edwards, MD; Infertility and Reproductive Endocrinology

Suleena Kansal Kalra, MD, MSCE; Infertility and Reproductive Endocrinology; General Gynecology Puneet Masson, MD; Male Fertility, Andrology*

Penn Fertility Care

3701 Market Street, 8th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.6100

Providers:

Kate O'Neill, MD

Monica Mainigi, MD; Infertility and Reproductive Endocrinology

Suneeta Senapati, MD, MSCE; Infertility and Reproductive Endocrinology

Puneet Masson, MD; Male Reproductive Medicine* 🕡

PULMONARY MEDICINE

Harron Lung Center

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine West Pavilion, 1st Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.3202

Provider:

C. Jessica Dine, MD, MSHP

Harron Lung Center

Penn Medicine University City 3737 Market Street, 10th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.622.8766

Provider:

Judd Flesch, MD

RHEUMATOLOGY

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine South Pavilion, 1st Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2454

Provider:

Antoine G. Sreih, MD

Penn Musculoskeletal Center

Penn Medicine University City, 8th Floor 3737 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2454

Provider:

Antoine G. Sreih, MD

SLEEP MEDICINE

Penn Sleep Center 3624 Market Street Suite 201 Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.7772

Providers:

Janice Biddle, CRNP Joyce Epelboim, MD Lisa Felkins, CRNP Indira Gurubhagavatula, MD, MPH Megin Myers, CRNP

Sharon L. Schutte-Rodin, MD, DABSM, CBSM Sigrid Veasey, MD

Penn Sleep Center

Penn Medicine Cherry Hill 409 Route 70 East Cherry Hill, NJ 08034 215.662.7772

Providers:

Joyce Epelboim, MD Lisa Felkins, CRNP Ilene M. Rosen, MD, MSCE

SURGERY

Colon and Rectal Surgery

Penn Medicine Washington Square 800 Walnut Street, 20th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107 215.829.5333

Providers:

Joshua I.S. Bleier, MD Nicole Sauer, MD

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine 4th Floor West Pavilion 3400 Civic Center Blvd. Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2078

Providers:

Cary B. Aarons, MD Joshua I.S. Bleier, MD Najjia N. Mahmoud, MD

Penn Medicine University City 3737 Market Street, 4th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.8664

Provider:

Skandan Shanmugan, MD

Penn Medicine at Radnor 250 King of Prussia Road Radnor, PA 19087 215.662.8664

Provider:

Skandan Shanmugan, MD

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Gastrointestinal Surgery

Penn Medicine Washington Square 800 Walnut Street, 20th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107 215.829.3455

Provider:

Allen H. Bar, MD

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine West Pavilion, 4th Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2131

Provider:

Jon B. Morris, MD

Endocrine and Oncologic Surgery

Penn Medicine Washington Square 800 Walnut Street, 20th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107 215.829.8461

Providers:

Ari D. Brooks, MD; Breast, Thyroid, Parathyroid, and General Oncology Surgery

Rena Rowan Breast Center: Abramson Cancer Center

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine West Pavilion, 3rd Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.615.5858

Providers:

Carla Fisher, MD; Endocrine and Oncologic Surgery, Non-Cosmetic Breast Surgery

Abramson Cancer Center Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine West Pavilion, 4th Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2030

Providers:

Rachel R Kelz, MD, MSCE, FACS

Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine South Pavilion, 3rd Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2979

Providers:

Natasha Mirza, MD, FACS; Voice Gender Reassignment Surgery*

Plastic Surgery

Otorhinolaryngology: Head and Neck Surgery

Penn Medicine Washington Square 800 Walnut Street, 18th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107 215.829.5180

Provider:

Oren Friedman, MD; Cosmetic Facial Surgery, Rhinoplasty, Feminization/masculinization of nose, Facial Implants, Eyelid Surgery*

Penn Plastic Surgery

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine South Pavilion, 1st Floor 3400 Civic Center Boulevard Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.7300

Providers:

Joshua Fosnot, MD; Reconstructive, cosmetic surgery, and microsurgery*

Joseph M. Serletti, MD, FACS; Reconstructive, cosmetic surgery, and microsurgery*

Penn Plastic Surgery Bryn Mawr

Suite 219 23 Morris Avenue Bryn Mawr, PA 19010 215.662.7300

Providers:

Joshua Fosnot, MD; Reconstructive, cosmetic surgery, and microsurgery*

Joseph M. Serletti, MD, FACS; Reconstructive,
Cosmetic Surgery, and Microsurgery*

UROLOGY

Penn Medicine Washington Square 800 Walnut Street, 10th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107 215.829.3409

Providers:

Victor Carpiniello, MD R. Caleb Kovell, MD Ariana Smith, MD

Perelman Center for Advanced Medicine

3rd Floor West Pavilion 3400 Civic Center Blvd Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.2891

Providers:

William Jaffe, MD

Laura Jennings, PA-C R. Caleb Kovell, MD Christopher Lorenc, PA-C Bernice McPherson, CRNP Ariana Smith, MD Alan J. Wein, MD, PhD (hon)

Penn Medicine University City 3737 Market Street, 4th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.662.8699

Providers:

Eleanor Bevan, PA-C William Jaffe, MD Christopher Lorenc, PA-C Puneet Masson, MD; Male Reproductive Medicine;

Puneet Masson, MD; Male Reproductive Medicin Surgery*

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Penn Medicine at Radnor 250 King of Prussia Road Radnor, PA 19087 215.662.8699

Providers:

Eleanor Bevan, PA.C
Puneet Masson, MD; Male Reproductive Medicine;
Surgery*

PSYCHIATRY/BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

Penn Psychiatry/Behavioral Health

The Center for Couples and Adult Families 3535 Market St, 4th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.746.5900

Providers:

Jacqueline Hudak, Ph.D., LMFT; General Couple and Family Practice, Diverse Family Structures, LGBT Couples*

Penn Center for Women's Behavioral Wellness

3535 Market Street, Room 3079A Philadelphia, PA 19104 215.573.8886

Community Resources

The Attic Youth Center (Age 14.23)

255 South 16th Street Philadelphia, PA 19102 215.545.4331 Ext. 118

John F. Kennedy Behavioral Health Center

112 North Broad Street, 7th floor Philadelphia, PA, 19102 Medicaid: 215.568.0860 x3342 Private Insurance: 215.568.0860 x3335

Provider:

Lisa Pozzi, MA, LPC

The Mazzoni Center

21 S. 12th Street, 8th floor Philadelphia, PA 19107 215.563.0652

Philadelphia LGBT Counseling

1518 Walnut Street, Suite 303 Philadelphia, PA 19102 215.603.7336

The Therapy Center of Philadelphia

Women, Transgender, Gender Non-Conforming The Philadelphia Building 1315 Walnut Street, Suite 1004 Philadelphia, PA 19017 215.567.1111

Private Practice

Neil J. Bonavita, LCSW

Couples and individual therapy, Managing life transitions, Diverse Family Structures Medical Arts Building 1601 Walnut Street, Suite 808 Philadelphia, PA 19102 215.839.6062

Edward T. Moon, PsyD, CAADC

Sexual minorities, substance use disorders 255 S. 17th St., Suite 2301 Philadelphia, PA 19103 484.200.7362

Steven Marc Sokoll, MD

Child, adolescent and adult psychiatry, College student psychiatry, Sexuality and gender issues

320 Quarry Lane Haverford, PA 19041

255 S. 17th Street, Suite 2601 Philadelphia, PA 19103 610, 649,4511



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GENDER AND SEXUALITY DEVELOPMENT CLINIC AT THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA

Provides assessment, medical management, and other support for gender.variant or transgender children and adolescents.

Adolescent Medicine: Gender Clinic

3550 Market Street 5th Floor Philadelphia, PA 215.590.3537 genderclinic@email.chop.edu

Providers:

Nadia Dowshen, MD*
Linda Hawkins, Ph.D., LPC*
Wilma C. Rossi, MD

COMING OUT TO YOUR PROVIDER



LGBT people have specific health needs. To receive the best care, it is helpful to tell your health care provider that you are LGBT.

The following tips can guide you in coming out to your provider.

- Bring Support If you are feeling nervous about coming out, bring a partner, family member, or friend for support.
- **Be Comfortable** Speak openly about your sexual orientation or gender identity when you feel most comfortable.
- Be Direct and Honest You can say something like, "It is important that you know I am gay/lesbian/bisexual/ transgender. Now that you know this, is there anything about my health care and my sexual orientation/gender identity we should talk about?"
- Be Open and Patient If your provider uses the wrong terms or pronoun when referring to you or your partner, allow them to know which terms you prefer.

References:

Gay and Lesbian Medical Association – Ten Things Gay Men, Lesbians, Bisexuals, and Transgender Persons Should Discuss with their Health Care Providers.

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Health.

LGBT people can feel shame and bias. They may find it hard to receive good health care. They may also have less health care options. Many may feel that health care providers do not know their health needs. The list below gives information about common health and wellness topics within the LGBT community. While these may not affect everyone, these are important health concerns.



The Hospitals of the University of Pennsylvania Penn Presbyterian are ranked among the top hospitals
in the United States by U.S. News & World Report.

CANCER

The LGBT community experiences some cancers more often. Lesbian women have a higher chance of getting breast cancer and some gynecological cancers. Gay and bisexual men have anal cancer more often, more so if HIV-infected. Tests can be done to check for cancer. Talk with a healthcare provider about how and when to check for cancer.

Abramson Cancer Center

The Abramson Cancer Center provides a full range of cancer treatment. To locate a Penn cancer specialist or to schedule an appointment for cancer screening, call 800.789.PENN (7366) or visit PennCancer.org

HEART HEALTH

LGBT individuals should take care of their heart health, particularly if they smoke or use certain hormones. Talk to your healthcare provider about ways to be heart healthy.

Penn Heart and Vascular Care

Penn's heart and vascular services provides medical and surgical care. To schedule an appointment, call 800.789.PENN (7366) or visit PennMedicine.org/Heart

MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION

Some LGBT individuals may experience depression; anxiety; heavy drinking; tobacco use, and drug use. If you are struggling with mental health concerns or addiction issues, there are resources to help.

Penn Behavioral Health

Penn Behavioral Health offers treatment for many mental health concerns. For the program that best meets your needs, call 866.301.4724 or visit PennMedicine.org/BehavioralHealth

Comprehensive Smoking Treatment Program at the Penn Lung Center

Penn's Comprehensive Smoking Treatment Program provides help for patients trying to quit smoking. To request an appointment call 888.PENN.STOP (888.736.6786) or visit PennMedicine.org/SmokingCessation

Addictions Assessment Center at Presbyterian Medical Center

The Addictions Assessment Center (AAC) at Penn Presbyterian Medical Center is open 365 days a year for evaluation of behavioral health needs. Assessment Counselors will determine which level and type of care best meets the needs of the patient. For more information about this service, please call 215.662.8747 or visit PennMedicine.org/PPMCAddications Assessment

RELATIONSHIPS AND FAMILY

Many LGBT individuals and couples across America are raising or want to have children. Services are available to help you start a family and deal with various relationship and family issues.

Penn Fertility Care

Penn Fertility Care offers a variety of services including sperm insemination and egg donations. To request an appointment, call 800.789.PENN (7366) or visit PennMedicine.org/LGBTfertility

Center for Couples and Adult Families

Penn's Center for Couples and Adult Families provides counseling services and resources for individuals, couples, groups, and families. To make an appointment call 215.746.5900 or visit med.upenn.edu/ccaf/index.html

PREVENTATIVE CARE

Preventative care is an important part of maintaining your health, and may include immunizations, vaccines, screenings, and regular check-ups. The Hepatitis A and Hepatitis B vaccines are recommended for most gay and bisexual men, while the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine is recommended for women and most gay and bisexual men through age 26. Speak to your provider about receiving these vaccinations.

Penn Primary Care

Penn Primary Care physicians offer outstanding, personalized care, and will provide needed vaccinations for their patients. To request an appointment, call 800.789.PENN (7366) or visit PennMedicine.org/PrimaryCare.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES -HIV, HEPATITIS, STIS

To reduce the risk of contracting HIV, STIs, certain types of hepatitis always practice safe sex by using condoms and dental dams.

Men who have sex with men, transgender women and bisexuals are at increased risk for viruses that cause Hepatitis, a serious liver disease. Talk to your provider about receiving the Hepatitis A and B vaccine and being screened for Hepatitis A, B and C. If you have Hepatitis C, there are new, effective treatments with fewer side effects.

Men who have sex with men are more likely to contract HIV than other groups. However, anyone who is sexually active is at risk and should be tested annually for HIV and other sexually transmitted infections (STIs). If you are HIV-infected, we can connect you with skilled providers. If you are in a relationship where one of you is HIV-infected, talk to your healthcare provider about options for HIV prevention. Talk to your provider about pre-exposure prophylaxis or PrEP, which prevents HIV infection if you are exposed to the virus. This is done by taking one pill every day. When taken every day, PrEP can greatly reduce the risk of HIV infection. Providers in our directory who prescribe PrEP have the letter P next to their name.

Penn Infectious Diseases

Penn Infectious Diseases provides primary care for patients with HIV, Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C, STIs, and other infectious diseases. To schedule an appointment with a physician, call 800.789.PENN (7366) or visit PennMedicine.org/Infectious.



The Transgender Patient Advocate Program is part of the Penn Medicine Program for LGBT Health and provides advocacy and support for trans-identified, gender non-conforming and gender queer patients at Penn Medicine. Transgender patient advocates assist patients in finding appropriate providers, making appointments and ensuring optimal patient care for transgender identified individuals at Penn Medicine.

All individuals, including those of non-conforming gender identities, are welcomed into this program. We use the word "transgender" or "trans" to refer to anyone identifying along – or outside of – the transgender spectrum.

CONTACT US TODAY

If you are interested in working with one of our transgender patient advocates.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

PLEASE CALL 215.573.8499
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LEARN MORE PennMedicine.org/LGBT





