



LGBTQ Youth & Pregnancy



So what's the deal?

http://www.actforyouth.net/resources/rf/rf_lgb_prg_0415.pdf

Did you know that LGBTQ youth are at higher risk of pregnancy compared to straight youth?

Lesbian, bisexual, and queer young women who have sex with cis men have pregnancy rates that are as high or higher than their straight counterparts

Studies have shown that gay, bisexual, and queer young men are more likely to be involved in a pregnancy than straight young men



What about "T" in LGBTQ?
Sadly, there hasn't been enough research done to make a conclusive statement about pregnancy risk and trans youth.

Why is this the case?

Homophobia

Violence, harassment, discrimination

Homelessness

Dating violence & rape

Lack of support from school, family, & friends

Survival sex

Substance use

Non-inclusive sex education & resources

What can we do?

LGBTQ inclusive sex ed & resources

Safe school policies & training

Housing & social services for LGBTQ youth

Laws that protect LGBTQ rights