Learn about intersex people & their unique experiences.

- Intersex is an umbrella term referring to people whose sex characteristics fall outside of the traditional concepts of "male" and "female" bodies. This includes variations in chromosomes, hormones, genitalia, as well as secondary sex characteristics.
- Intersex is not a gender nor a sexual orientation; intersex people can identify as any gender and any sexual orientation.
- Many intersex children undergo non-consensual, unnecessary, and irreversible surgeries for being born intersex.

For more information:
https://tinyurl.com/intersex101guide
interactadvocates.org/faq/
Advocate for intersex-inclusive training & education.

- Insist that group leadership attends training on intersex-inclusive language and intersex-informative workshops.
  - Include "intersex" as an option for sex
  - Avoid gendering sex characteristics
- Prioritize combating intersex stigma through education and group policies as necessary.
- For an ally toolkit: 4intersex.org

Advocate for intersex-affirming group visions & mission statements.

- Don’t include the “I” if you don’t support the “I”
  - Intersex people have specific needs, just like each letter of the acronym.
  - Expand your LGBTQ+ acronym to LGBTQI+ after you have equitably included intersex leadership and consultation for your group.
- Help to work end intersex erasure in queer spaces: https://tinyurl.com/intersexallyship101

Promote Intersex Awareness

- Participate in Intersex Awareness Day each year on October 26
- For intersex-inclusive social media recommendations: https://tinyurl.com/intersexsocialmedia
- Follow intersex-led organizations:
  - interACT
  - Intersex Justice Project
  - Houston Intersex Society

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