

Transgender 101

for Human Service Providers

Thursday, April 10 9:30 AM - 1:00 PM Jones Library, Amherst, MA

Many service-providing agencies pride themselves on being "GLBT-friendly." Yet too often, providers lack the skills and knowledge to serve transgender people effectively, and the "T" gets lost.

This training is for human service providers who want to become more comfortable and competent working with clients who may identify as transgender.

Participants in this training will learn to describe their own understandings and assumptions about gender, and identify how those understandings may affect theirwork. In addition the facilitator will provide general information about transgender communities, including terminology & common strengths and challenges. Using role-playing and feedback from peers, participants will practice using culturally competent behaviors to communicate respect and understanding to transgender and gender non-comforming individuals.

This training is appropriate for **caseworkers**, **counselors**, **outreach workers**, **shelter staff**, **peer volunteers and anyone else who works directly with human service clients**. When you register, we will use the information you provide to tailor the training to be relevant to *your* work.

For more information, visit www.thinkagaintraining.com/trainings. Or contact Davey at davey@thinkagaintraining.com or 845-417-6518.



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As a consultant and trainer, Davey helps organizations learn about many different social justice issues. Davey has provided trainings on classism, sexism, heterosexism, transgender issues, youth empowerment, sexual health, relationship violence, and intergroup dialogue. Davey's clients include community groups, human service agencies, high schools, student groups and colleges.

Davey is co-author, with Chase Catalano and Linda McCarthy, of the "Transgender Oppression Curriculum Design" in Adams, Bell & Griffin's (2007) *Teaching for Diversity and Social Justice, 2nd edition* (Routledge).

Registration Fee:

If your employer is paying: \$65. If you are paying out of pocket: sliding scale \$15-\$100.

To register:

Complete the attached form and return it with payment by April 1. The form is also available at www.thinkagaintraining.com/trainings.