

## Introduction

- In the past few years, an increasing number of transgender students have accessed the Pride Center, many of whom are interested in medical transition resources and support. Most of these services are not provided on campus.
- The assessment sought to better understand the needs around hormone access and how the Pride Center and campus could best support these students.

## Methodology

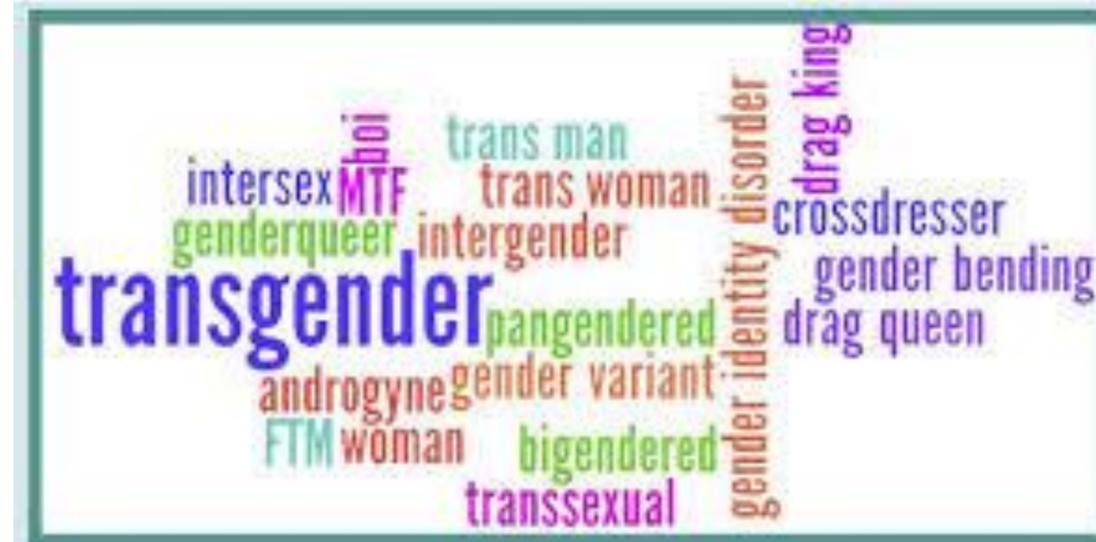
- A mixed-question survey was created through Campus Labs and was sent out to the Transgender Student email list. Using a snowball sampling method, those students were encouraged to send the survey link to other trans students they knew.
- The survey was live for 3 weeks in spring 2015.
- 40 students completed the survey, though only 28 marked that they identified as transgender or genderqueer. Results are based on those 28 responses.

## Learning Outcomes

LO 1: To explore the needs of transgender students and the ways the Pride Center can better support them.

LO 2: To assess the need and readiness around hormone therapy for transgender students on campus.

LO 3: To understand if traveling off-campus to access hormones is an option for transgender students.



## Implications for Practice

- Several transgender students are interested in accessing hormones for physical transitioning, and most would prefer to be able to access them on campus.
- Providing hormone access and support on campus would be beneficial to many trans students, many of which are not out to their families.
- The Pride Center will continue to host weekly trans group meetings to support students in all aspects of their identity.

## Who are our Transgender Students?

- 71% come into the Pride Center at least once a month.
- Only 12 out of 26 (46%) are out to their immediate family members about their gender identity and/or expression.
- An extensive list of words was used to describe respondents' gender identity including: agender, non-binary, androgynous, fluid, genderqueer, genderfluid, trans woman, transguy, and two spirit.

## Results

- 32% (9 out of 28) marked **hormones and/or surgery** as their biggest need around their gender identity or expression. (LO 1)
- 18% (5 of 28) highlighted **gender neutral restrooms** and choosing a bathrooms as an area of need. (LO 1)
- 14 out of 28 (50%) responded they are interested in **starting hormones** or are **already on hormones**. 18% listed that they were maybe interested, while 32% said they were not interested. (LO 2)
- 16 students mentioned that they would be interested in **accessing hormones from Student Health & Counseling Services** if available, while only 1 student said they would not be interested. (LO 2)
- 18 of 27 (67%) responded either **“no” or “maybe”** to whether or not they could **travel to the LA LGBT Center** for hormones. (LO 3)
- The biggest reason listed for this response was **travel concerns** and **long wait times** for appointments. (the LA LGBT Center is know to have a wait-list of 6 months or longer for hormone appointments. (LO 3)