

In this Issue: LGBTQ+

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Fifty years ago, the Stonewall Riots marked a watershed for many people in America, and around the world. In the early morning of June 28, 1969, New York City police raided a gay bar on Christopher Street called the Stonewall Inn.

Police raids on gay bars were routine in those days, but this time, patrons fought back. Violent clashes spread out across Greenwich Village over the following days. By the time order was restored, one thing was clear: the LGBT community would no longer tolerate harassment and intimidation.

As lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and many more individuals found their own voice, so the medical and public health community adapted, sometimes rapidly, other times slowly, to a segment of society heretofore unheard.

Health equity in the scientific realm starts with visibility, leading to evidence, and action. We join the LGBTQ+ community in solidarity through the visibility this publication brings with guest editors Anna B. Phillip, M.D. and Timothy D. Rodden, M.Div., M.A., B.C.C., F.A.C.H.E. leading the way towards improved evidence. We look to you, our community, to help us translate this into action. From telehealth interventions to improved data collection; suicide prevention in trans youth to the religious landscape for LGBTQ+ individuals; an interview with Sally McBride (mother of Human Rights Campaign spokesperson Sarah McBride) and much more, we hope you enjoy this issue of the Journal.

As always, we welcome your input and suggestions for future focus areas.

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