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Introduction
Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) people navigate a complicated and quickly-changing legal milieu. Legal rights and laws vary by geographic location, and certain legal procedures are unique to this population. This guide provides resources for LGBTQ individuals to discover laws, procedures, and rights impacting them.

The guide begins with current reference books, followed by websites for national organizations that advocate for LGBTQ rights. The bulk of the guide is dedicated to state-specific resources organized by topic. Resources in this section are all Internet URLs and include government and nonprofit organizations. In most cases, links are provided without commentary on current law or procedure because they are likely to change. Following the link will allow the reader to discover the legal landscape at that moment. Some links are common to most or all states; they remain organized this way to be accessible to folks only wanting to scroll through their state.

Topics are as follows: “Advocates and Allies” includes organizations and programs that help people navigate legal issues. “Domestic Violence” includes laws, rights, and resources for LGBTQ survivors. “Employment” includes information about workplace rights and employment discrimination. “Families” has information relevant to adoption and parenting, minor’s rights and resources, conversion therapy bans, anti-bullying legislation, wills, power of attorney, and hospital visitation. “Financial Instruments” provides information about inheritance, retirement, and banking. “Hate Crimes” describes protected classes under hate crime laws.

“Health Care” includes access to hospitals, health insurance, Medicare, and queer- and trans-specific care. “Housing” provides information about housing protections. “ID Documents” provides instructions for name and gender changes on passports, birth certificates, and drivers’ licenses. “Immigration” includes rights, resources, and protections for immigrants and asylum-seekers. “Law Enforcement” provides guidelines for interacting with police, and information about rights and policies for incarcerated and non-incarcerated folks. “Military” offers resources for veterans and those currently serving.

“Public Services and Facilities” includes information about public accommodations, homeless shelters, and bathroom bills. “Social Security” includes access to spousal and survivor benefits, Medicare entitlement, and SSI payments. “Taxes” provides tax resources for same-sex households. “Travel” includes information and guidelines about airport security as well as rights and protections for LGBTQ travelers abroad. Finally, “Voting Rights” provides information about voting rights and various voting suppression activities.

This guide was created by Charlie McNabb and approved by the American Library Association’s Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table (GLBTRT) Resources Committee in November 2015. To suggest edits, please contact the GLBTRT Resources Committee.

Note: The information provided on this resource guide has been prepared for general information purposes only and should not be construed as, nor substituted for, legal advice.
Reference Books

This volume collects together significant writings in the debate about the rights of sexual minorities. The topics covered include the meaning and importance of sexual freedom, gender roles, marriage and other significant partnerships, child care and adoption, the criminal law, employment, and expression and pornography.

Written for employers but helpful for employees and job-seekers, this volume offers practical guidelines for best practices in Human Resources with regard to LGBT people in the workplace. The text includes legal case studies, information about the employment non-discrimination act, and suggestions on issues such as restroom access, grooming and dress codes, objecting customers and vendors, immigration, and more.

This volume begins with an explanation of the unique legal issues faced by transgender people. Chapters are devoted to practical aspects such as identification documents, public facilities, immigration, and employment issues. Other chapters cover health care and personal safety. There are state law appendices on identification documents, driver’s licenses laws, and marriage. Other appendices provide city and county level nondiscrimination ordinances. An accompanying CD provides forms for name and birth certificate changes.

This is a “comprehensive legal treatise dedicated to the concerns of lesbians, gay men, bisexuals, and others who form alternative families or conduct lives outside societal ‘norms’ regarding gender or sexuality.” Some of the subjects discussed include legal issues in relation to family and property, civil rights and discrimination, criminal law, and HIV/AIDS. Includes a table of cases and a table of laws and rules. Kept up to date with cumulative replacement volumes.

In this edited volume, contributors analyze legal case studies involving issues of education, taxes, speech, religion, and immigration, as they pertain to race, gender identity and expression, and sexual orientation.
National Organizations

American Civil Liberties Union
http://www.aclu.org/lgbt-rights/lgbt-basic-rights-and-liberties
The ACLU provides the webpage LGBT Basic Rights and Liberties with links to current and historical developments in LGBT rights.

The Center for HIV Law and Policy
http://www.hivlawandpolicy.org/resourceCategories/view/40
Includes resources that describe the impact of HIV/AIDS on queer people of all ages and the programs and policies developed to address it, and other resources that otherwise are specific to the LGBTQI communities and their concerns.

Equality Federation
http://equalityfederation.org/
Equality Federation is the national alliance of state-based lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender advocacy organizations.

Human Rights Campaign
http://www.hrc.org/
Civil rights organization working to achieve equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Americans.

Immigration Equality
http://www.immigrationequality.org/
Immigration Equality works to end discrimination in U.S. immigration law, to reduce the negative impact of that law on the lives of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and HIV-positive people, and to help obtain asylum for those persecuted in their home country based on their sexual orientation, transgender identity or HIV status.

Lambda Legal
http://www.lambdalegal.org/
The national organization includes a legal help desk and links to numerous online toolkits and fact sheets.

National Center for Lesbian Rights
http://www.nclrights.org/
This website includes an online legal information hotline.

National Center for Transgender Equality
http://transequality.org/
The National Center for Transgender Equality is a national social justice organization devoted to ending discrimination and violence against transgender people through education and advocacy on national issues of importance to transgender people.
National LGBT Bar Association
http://lgbtbar.org/
The National LGBT Bar Association promotes justice in and through the legal profession for the LGBT community in all its diversity.

National LGBTQ Task Force
http://www.thetaskforce.org/
Task force actions, events, and fact sheets focus on issues including workplace discrimination, LGBTQ immigration, hate crimes laws, and more.

Out & Equal Workplace Advocates
http://www.outandequal.org/
Out & Equal Workplace Advocates is the world’s premiere nonprofit organization dedicated to achieving lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender workplace equality.

Queer Legal Resources
http://www.qrd.org/qrd/www/legal/
An electronic library with news clippings, political contact information, newsletters, essays, images, hyperlinks, and other resources of interest to the GLBQ community.

Transgender Law Center
http://transgenderlawcenter.org/
Transgender Law Center works to change law, policy, and attitudes so that all people can live safely, authentically, and free from discrimination regardless of their gender identity or expression.

United States Department of Labor, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
http://www.eeoc.gov/federal/otherprotections.cfm
Facts about discrimination in federal government employment based on marital status, political affiliation, status as a parent, sexual orientation, or transgender status.

Williams Institute on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law and Public Policy
A national think tank dedicated to conducting rigorous, independent research on sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy.

Woodhull Sexual Freedom Alliance
http://www.woodhullalliance.org/
The Woodhull Sexual Freedom Alliance works to advance the recognition of sexual, gender, and family diversity. Advocacy, education, and actions focus on immigration, prison reform, sexuality education, anti-discrimination legislation, and more.
State-Specific Resources

**Alabama**

**Advocates and Allies**

Legal Services Alabama  
http://www.legalservicesalabama.org/

**Domestic Violence**

Free2Be  
http://free2be.org/  
GLBT advocacy and youth services, with special focus on domestic violence.

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence  
http://www.ncadv.org/

National Domestic Violence Hotline  
1-800-799-7233  
1-800-787-3224 (TTY)  
http://www.thehotline.org/

The Network / La Red  
http://tnlr.org/

Northwest Network (Based in WA, provides referrals and resources nationwide)  
http://nwnetwork.org/

**Employment**

Currently, Alabama state law does not protect state or private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression:  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/Alabama

Know Your Rights: LGBT Employees & Employees with HIV  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:  
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Any unmarried adult may adopt, but second-parent adoptions are not currently available in Alabama:  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/Alabama
Conversation therapy is not currently banned for minors in Alabama:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Currently, Alabama state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/alabama

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

Know Your Rights: Transgender Parenting
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

Know Your Rights: Transgender Students in College
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/in-college-faq

Know Your Rights: Updating School Records
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/ferpa-faq

Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:

Financial Instruments
Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets in Life
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-assets
Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets After You’re Gone  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone

Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:  
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243

**Hate Crimes**  
States vary in hate crime legislation, and laws and protections change rapidly. See the HRC’s map of state laws and policies (click “select an issue” to choose hate crimes). See also the National LGBTQ Task Force hate crimes laws map.  
http://www.hrc.org/state_maps  
http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

**Health Care**  
Healthcare Bill of Rights  
http://healthcarebillofrights.org/  

Hospital Visitation Guide for LGBT Families  
http://www.hrc.org/resources/entry/hospital-visitation-guide-for-lgbt-families

Know Your Rights: Healthcare  
http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/healthcare

Know Your Rights! LGBT Older Adults & Older Adults Living with HIV  
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=168

**Housing**  
Unfortunately, the Fair Housing Act does not yet include sexual orientation or gender identity/expression, but many states and some cities include these as protected characteristics. See the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for more information:  

See also the National LGBTQ Task Force’s Nondiscrimination Map for an infographic of states that ban housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression:  
http://www.thetaskforce.org/nondiscrimination-laws-map/

**ID Documents**  
Changing Information on Drivers License:  
http://dps.alabama.gov/Home/wfContent.aspx?ID=30&PLH1=plhDriverLicense-FAQ#anchor842119
Legal Name Change Procedures: Jefferson County, Madison County, Montgomery County, or contact the probate court in another county.

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate: http://adph.org/vitalrecords/assets/NewHS33.pdf

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

**Immigration**
Americans for Immigrant Justice http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality http://www.immigrationequality.org/

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq


Southern Poverty Law Center Immigrant Justice Project https://www.splcenter.org/issues/immigrant-justice

**Law Enforcement**

Equity Project: Ensuring Fairness and Respect for LGBT Youth in Juvenile Delinquency Courts http://www.equityproject.org/


Laws, Court Decisions & Advocacy Tips to Protect Transgender Prisoners https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/laws-court-decisions-advocacy-tips-protect-transgender-prisoners
National Center for Reason and Justice
http://ncrj.org/

What to do if You’re Stopped by Police, Immigration Agents or the FBI
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/what-do-if-youre-stopped-police-immigration-agents-or-fbi

Military
American Bar Association: Home Front

GI Rights Hotline
1-877-447-4487
http://girightshotline.org/

MPFC: Military Partners and Families Coalition
http://www.milpfc.org/

OutServe-Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN)
https://www.outserve-sldn.org/

SPART*A: Service Members, Partners, Allies for Respect and Tolerance for All
http://www.spartapride.org/

Public Services and Facilities
Homeless shelters funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) must legally be made available without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status. See the 2012 ruling for more details: https://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=12lgbtfinalrule.pdf

To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance:

If you have experienced discrimination while trying to access a homeless shelter, see the National Center for Transgender Equality's resource on rights and how to file complaints:
http://www.transequality.org/know-your-rights/housing-and-homeless-shelters

Public accommodations laws and policies vary by state. See the Human Rights Campaign issues map and select "statewide public accommodations laws & policies" to see an up-to-date infographic of laws and policies:
http://www.hrc.org/state_maps
Restroom access rights for transgender people vary by location, and are generally won after court cases. See Lambda Legal's list of states that protect restroom access, FAQs about restroom access, and tips for trans people on this topic: http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/trans-restroom/transgender

For further resources on restroom access, see the Transgender Law Center's "Peeing in Peace" booklet: http://translaw.wpengine.com/issues/public-accomodations/peeing-in-peace

**Social Security**
Social Security FAQ for Same-Sex Couples
https://faq.ssa.gov/link/portal/34011/34019/ArticleFolder/452/Same-Sex-Couples

Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples
http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/

**Taxes**


**Travel**
Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers:
http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363

Know Your Rights: Airport Security:
http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security

LGBT Rights by Country or Territory (a Wikipedia entry, so be sure to check references): https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT_rights_by_country_or_territory

U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information:
http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html

**Voting Rights**
Election Protection: In Your State
http://www.866ourvote.org/state
Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
http://transequality.org/issues/resources/voting-while-trans-preparing-voter-id-laws
Alaska

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Alaska Legal Services Corporation
http://www.alsc-law.org/

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ID Documents
Changing Information on Driver’s License: http://doa.alaska.gov/dmv/akol/namchg.htm

Legal Name Change Procedure:
http://www.courtreports.alaska.gov/webdocs/forms/civ-699.pdf (instructions);
http://www.courtreports.alaska.gov/webdocs/forms/vs-405.pdf (form)

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:
Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

**Immigration**

Americans for Immigrant Justice
http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq

National Center for Lesbian Rights: Asylum & Immigration Project
http://www.nclrights.org/our-work/asylum-immigration/overview/

National Immigrant Justice Center: LGBT Immigrant Rights Initiative
http://www.immigrantjustice.org/programs/lgbt-immigrant-rights-initiative

**Law Enforcement**

Black & Pink: Prison Abolition Now!
http://www.blackandpink.org/

Equity Project: Ensuring Fairness and Respect for LGBT Youth in Juvenile Delinquency Courts
http://www.equityproject.org/

Know Your Rights: Tips for Trans People Dealing with Cops and Jails

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Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples  
[http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/](http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/)

**Taxes**
Tax, Estate Planning, Benefits Opportunities After Supreme Court’s Same-Sex Marriage Decision:  

Treasury and IRS Announce That All Legal Same-Sex Marriages Will Be Recognized For Federal Tax Purposes; Ruling Provides Certainty, Benefits and Protections Under Federal Tax Law for Same-Sex Married Couples:  

**Travel**
Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers:  

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Voting While Trans Checklist:  

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**Employment**

Currently, Arizona state law does not protect private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; nor are state employees protected from discrimination on the basis of gender identity or expression. State employees may have some protection from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation through an executive order, but not through a statewide law:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/arizona

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Currently, Arizona state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:
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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

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Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

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Immigration Equality
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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq

National Center for Lesbian Rights: Asylum & Immigration Project
http://www.nclrights.org/our-work/asylum-immigration/overview/

National Immigrant Justice Center: LGBT Immigrant Rights Initiative
http://www.immigrantjustice.org/programs/lgbt-immigrant-rights-initiative

Mariposas Sin Fronteras
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Arkansas

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http://www.dfa.arkansas.gov/offices/driverServices/Pages/FAQ's.aspx#c

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California

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California Department of Consumer Affairs: Legal Guides

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Colorado state law expressly protects state and private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/colorado

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

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ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
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Any adult may adopt, and second-parent adoptions are permitted in Colorado:
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Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Colorado:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy
Currently, Colorado state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation but not gender identity:

http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/Colorado

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

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Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
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http://www.hrc.org/state_maps
http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

**Health Care**

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**Housing**

Colorado Fair Housing Law bans housing discrimination on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity/expression. See the Colorado Civil Rights Division for more information or for enforcement:
https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/civil-rights/housing-discrimination

**ID Documents**

Changing Information on Drivers License: http://www.dmv.org/co-colorado/changing-your-name.php

Legal Name Change Procedure:
https://www.courts.state.co.us/Forms/Forms_List.cfm?Form_Type_ID=25

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Name or Sex on a Birth Certificate:
https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/correct-or-change-birth-certificate

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

**Immigration**

Americans for Immigrant Justice
http://www.aijustice.org/
Immigration Equality
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq

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To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/topics/homelessness/localassist

If you have experienced discrimination while trying to access a homeless shelter, see the National Center for Transgender Equality's resource on rights and how to file complaints: http://www.transequality.org/know-your-rights/housing-and-homeless-shelters

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https://faq.ssa.gov/link/portal/34011/34019/ArticleFolder/452/Same-Sex-Couples

Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples
http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/
**Taxes**


**Travel**

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U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information: [http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html](http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html)

**Voting Rights**

Election Protection: In Your State [http://www.866ourvote.org/state](http://www.866ourvote.org/state)


Connecticut

**Advocates and Allies**

Connecticut Network for Legal Aid
http://ctlawhelp.org/

**Domestic Violence**

GLBTQ Domestic Violence Project
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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

Connecticut's anti-discrimination law prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity or expression and HIV status. See GLAD’s information on the pertinent laws as well as how to file a complaint:

**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Connecticut law forbids discrimination in public schools on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity or expression and has a strong anti-bullying law. See GLAD’s information on protection and options:
http://www.glad.org/rights/connecticut/c/students-rights-in-connecticut
Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Connecticut:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Connecticut state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation and gender identity:
http://www.stopbullying.gov/laws/connecticut.html

Single gay people can adopt in Connecticut; same-sex couples can jointly become the legal parents of a child. See GLAD’s information on legal protections:
http://www.glad.org/rights/connecticut/c/family-law-in-connecticut

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

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Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone

Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243

Hate Crimes

Sexual orientation and gender identity or expression are protected characteristics under Connecticut's hate crimes laws. See GLAD’s information on definitions and options:

Health Care

Healthcare Bill of Rights
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Changing Information on Drivers License: Name and gender.

Legal Name Change Procedures: Instructions and form.

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:
Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

**Immigration**

Americans for Immigrant Justice
http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

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OutServe-Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN)  
https://www.outserve-sldn.org/

SPART*A: Service Members, Partners, Allies for Respect and Tolerance for All  
http://www.spartapride.org/

Public Services and Facilities

Homeless shelters funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) must legally be made available without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status. See the 2012 ruling for more details:  

To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance:  

If you have experienced discrimination while trying to access a homeless shelter, see the National Center for Transgender Equality's resource on rights and how to file complaints:  
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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/trans-restroom/transgender

For further resources on restroom access, see the Transgender Law Center's "Peeing in Peace" booklet:  

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Taxes


Travel
Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers: http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363

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U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information:
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Voting Rights
Election Protection: In Your State
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Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
http://transequality.org/issues/resources/voting-while-trans-preparing-voter-id-laws
Delaware

**Advocates and Allies**

Legal Services Corporation of Delaware
http://www.lscd.com/

**Domestic Violence**

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**Employment**

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**District of Columbia**

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Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia
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**Voting Rights**

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**Florida**

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Florida Legal Services
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http://www.transgenderlaw.org/resources/floridakit.pdf

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
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https://www.splcenter.org/issues/immigrant-justice

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Hawai‘i

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Legal Aid Society of Hawai‘i

http://www.legalaidhawaii.org/

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Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers: http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363

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Voting Rights
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http://www.866ourvote.org/state

Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
http://transequality.org/issues/resources/voting-while-trans-preparing-voter-id-laws
Iowa

*Advocates and Allies*

Iowa Legal Aid
http://www.iowalegalaid.org/

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*Employment*

Iowa state law expressly protects state and private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression: [http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/iowa](http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/iowa)

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ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
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Any unmarried adult may adopt, and second-parent adoptions are approved in lower courts in Iowa: [http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/iowa](http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/iowa)

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Iowa:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Iowa state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation and gender identity: [http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/iowa](http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/iowa)
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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

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Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

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http://www.iowadot.gov/mvd/driverslicense/changes.htm

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http://www.idph.state.ia.us/apl/common/pdf/vital_records/ivrscap/amend_birth_cert.pdf

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

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http://www.aijustice.org/
Immigration Equality
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

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U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information: [http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html](http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html)

**Voting Rights**

Election Protection: In Your State [http://www.866ourvote.org/state](http://www.866ourvote.org/state)


Kansas

**Advocates and Allies**

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**Employment**

Currently, Kansas state law does not protect private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; state employees may be protected from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression through an executive order but not through statewide law: [http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/kansas](http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/kansas)

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**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
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http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy
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Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

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Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
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**ID Documents**

Changing Information on Drivers License: Name and gender.

Legal Name Change Procedure:
http://www.kansasjudicialcouncil.org/Forms/Adult_Name_Change_Forms.shtml

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate: Instructions and form (please note that although Kansas Administrative Regulations specify that an individual’s sex on a birth certificate can be corrected, the Division of Vital Statistics currently does not do so. Contact them for up-to-date information).
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**Immigration**

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**Voting Rights**
Election Protection: In Your State http://www.866ourvote.org/state


Louisiana

**Advocates and Allies**

Louisiana Law Help
http://louisianalawhelp.org/

**Domestic Violence**

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence
http://www.ncadv.org/

National Domestic Violence Hotline
1-800-799-7233
1-800-787-3224 (TTY)
http://www.thehotline.org/

The Network / La Red
http://tnlr.org/

Northwest Network (Based in WA, provides referrals and resources nationwide)
http://nwnetwork.org/

**Employment**

Currently, Louisiana state law does not protect private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; an executive order may protect state employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, but there is no protection for gender identity or expression:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/louisiana

Know Your Rights: LGBT Employees & Employees with HIV
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Individuals and married couples may adopt, but second-parent adoption is not yet permitted in Louisiana: http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/louisiana

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Louisiana:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy
Currently, Louisiana state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/louisiana

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

Know Your Rights: Transgender Parenting
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

Know Your Rights: Transgender Students in College
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/in-college-faq

Know Your Rights: Updating School Records
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/ferpa-faq

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-assets

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets After You’re Gone
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone

Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243
**Hate Crimes**
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http://www.hrc.org/state_maps
http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

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http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/healthcare

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http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=168

**Housing**
Unfortunately, the Fair Housing Act does not yet include sexual orientation or gender identity/expression, but many states and some cities include these as protected characteristics. See the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for more information:

See also the National LGBTQ Task Force’s Nondiscrimination Map for an infographic of states that ban housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression: http://www.thetaskforce.org/nondiscrimination-laws-map/

**ID Documents**
Changing Information on Drivers License: Name and gender.

Legal Name Change Procedure: Instructions and list of parish courts.

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:
http://dhh.louisiana.gov/index.cfm/directory/detail/4649

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
**Immigration**

Americans for Immigrant Justice
http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq

National Center for Lesbian Rights: Asylum & Immigration Project
http://www.nclrights.org/our-work/asylum-immigration/overview/

National Immigrant Justice Center: LGBT Immigrant Rights Initiative
http://www.immigrantjustice.org/programs/lgbt-immigrant-rights-initiative

Southern Poverty Law Center Immigrant Justice Project
https://www.splcenter.org/issues/immigrant-justice

**Law Enforcement**

Black & Pink: Prison Abolition Now!
http://www.blackandpink.org/

Equity Project: Ensuring Fairness and Respect for LGBT Youth in Juvenile Delinquency Courts
http://www.equityproject.org/

Know Your Rights: Tips for Trans People Dealing with Cops and Jails

Laws, Court Decisions & Advocacy Tips to Protect Transgender Prisoners
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/laws-court-decisions-advocacy-tips-protect-transgender-prisoners

National Center for Reason and Justice
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What to do if You’re Stopped by Police, Immigration Agents or the FBI
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/what-do-if-youre-stopped-police-immigration-agents-or-fbi

**Military**

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OutServe-Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN)
https://www.outserve-sldn.org/

SPART*A: Service Members, Partners, Allies for Respect and Tolerance for All
http://www.spartapride.org/

Public Services and Facilities
Homeless shelters funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) must legally be made available without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status. See the 2012 ruling for more details:

To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance:

If you have experienced discrimination while trying to access a homeless shelter, see the National Center for Transgender Equality's resource on rights and how to file complaints:
http://www.transequality.org/know-your-rights/housing-and-homeless-shelters

Public accommodations laws and policies vary by state. See the Human Rights Campaign issues map and select "statewide public accommodations laws & policies" to see an up-to-date infographic of laws and policies:
http://www.hrc.org/state_maps

Restroom access rights for transgender people vary by location, and are generally won after court cases. See Lambda Legal's list of states that protect restroom access, FAQs about restroom access, and tips for trans people on this topic:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/trans-restroom/transgender

For further resources on restroom access, see the Transgender Law Center's "Peeing in Peace" booklet:

Social Security
Social Security FAQ for Same-Sex Couples
https://faq.ssa.gov/link/portal/34011/34019/ArticleFolder/452/Same-Sex-Couples
Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples
http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/

**Taxes**


**Travel**

Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers: http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363

Know Your Rights: Airport Security:
http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security

LGBT Rights by Country or Territory (a Wikipedia entry, so be sure to check references): https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT_rights_by_country_or_territory

U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information:
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**Voting Rights**

Election Protection: In Your State
http://www.866ourvote.org/state

Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
http://transequality.org/issues/resources/voting-while-trans-preparing-voter-id-laws
Maine

*Advocates and Allies*

Help ME Law
http://www.helpmelaw.org/

*Domestic Violence*

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence
http://www.ncadv.org/

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1-800-799-7233
1-800-787-3224 (TTY)
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The Network / La Red
http://tnlr.org/

Northwest Network (Based in WA, provides referrals and resources nationwide)
http://nwnetwork.org/

Domestic violence laws apply to same-sex couples, whether or not they are married:
http://www.glad.org/rights/maine/c/family-law-in-maine

*Employment*

Know Your Rights: LGBT Employees & Employees with HIV
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

Maine’s anti-discrimination law prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status and gender identity or expression. See GLAD’s information on employment protections:

*Families*

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Maine:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy
Maine law forbids discrimination in public schools on the basis of sexual orientation and
gender identity or expression. See GLAD’s information on protections and rights:
http://www.glad.org/rights/maine/c/students-rights-in-maine

Single gay people can adopt in Maine; same-sex couples can jointly become the legal
parents of a child. See GLAD’s information on protections:
http://www.glad.org/rights/maine/c/family-law-in-maine

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone

Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243

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http://www.hrc.org/state_maps
http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

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Healthcare Bill of Rights
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Hospital Visitation Guide for LGBT Families
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Know Your Rights: Healthcare
http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/healthcare

Know Your Rights! LGBT Older Adults & Older Adults Living with HIV
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=168

**Housing**

Maine’s anti-discrimination law prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status and gender identity or expression. See GLAD’s information on housing protections: http://www.glad.org/rights/maine/c/anti-discrimination-law-in-maine

**ID Documents**

Changing Information on Drivers License: Visit a motor vehicle office to process name and gender changes.

Legal Name Change Procedure: Instructions and list of probate courts.

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend a Birth Certificate: Name and sex.

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
**Immigration**

Americans for Immigrant Justice  
http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality  
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq

National Center for Lesbian Rights: Asylum & Immigration Project  
http://www.nclrights.org/our-work/asylum-immigration/overview/

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SPART*A: Service Members, Partners, Allies for Respect and Tolerance for All
http://www.spartapride.org/

Public Services and Facilities

Homeless shelters funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) must legally be made available without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status. See the 2012 ruling for more details: https://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=12lgbtfinalrule.pdf

To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance:

If you have experienced discrimination while trying to access a homeless shelter, see the National Center for Transgender Equality's resource on rights and how to file complaints:
http://www.transequality.org/know-your-rights/housing-and-homeless-shelters

Public accommodations laws and policies vary by state. See the Human Rights Campaign issues map and select "statewide public accommodations laws & policies" to see an up-to-date infographic of laws and policies:
http://www.hrc.org/state_maps

Restroom access rights for transgender people vary by location, and are generally won after court cases. See Lambda Legal's list of states that protect restroom access, FAQs about restroom access, and tips for trans people on this topic:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transrestroom/transgender

For further resources on restroom access, see the Transgender Law Center's "Peeing in Peace" booklet:

Social Security

Social Security FAQ for Same-Sex Couples
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Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples
http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/

Taxes


Travel
Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers: http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363

Know Your Rights: Airport Security:
http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security

LGBT Rights by Country or Territory (a Wikipedia entry, so be sure to check references): https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT_rights_by_country_or_territory

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Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
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Maryland

*Advocates and Allies*

FreeState Legal Project
http://freestatelegal.org/

Maryland Legal Aid
http://www.mdlab.org/

The People’s Law Library of Maryland
http://www.peoples-law.org/

*Domestic Violence*

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*Employment*

Maryland state law protects state and private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, but not gender identity or expression:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/maryland

Know Your Rights: LGBT Employees & Employees with HIV
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

*Families*

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
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Any adult may adopt, and second-parent adoption is approved in lower courts in Maryland: http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/maryland
Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Maryland:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Maryland state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation and gender identity: http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/maryland

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone
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http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243

**Hate Crimes**
Maryland state law addresses hate crimes based on sexual orientation and gender identity. See the HRC’s map of state laws and policies (click “select an issue” to choose hate crimes). See also the National LGBTQ Task Force hate crimes laws map.
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**Housing**
Maryland Fair Housing Law bans housing discrimination on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity/expression. See the Maryland Commission on Human Relations for more information or for enforcement:
http://mccr.maryland.gov/HousingDiscrimination.html

**ID Documents**
Changing Information on Drivers License: Name and gender.

Legal Name Change Procedure: Instructions and form.

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:
http://dhmh.maryland.gov/vsa/SitePages/birth.aspx

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

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To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/topics/homelessness/localassist

If you have experienced discrimination while trying to access a homeless shelter, see the National Center for Transgender Equality's resource on rights and how to file complaints: http://www.transequality.org/know-your-rights/housing-and-homeless-shelters

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For further resources on restroom access, see the Transgender Law Center's "Peeing in Peace" booklet: http://translaw.wpengine.com/issues/public-accomodations/peeing-in-peace

Social Security

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U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information: [http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html](http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html)

**Voting Rights**

Election Protection: In Your State [http://www.866ourvote.org/state](http://www.866ourvote.org/state)


**Massachusetts**

*Advocates and Allies*
- Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation  
- MassLegalHelp  

*Domestic Violence*
- Casa Myrna  
- GLBT Domestic Violence Attorney Program  
  [http://www.probono.net/dv/oppsguide/organization.264432-GLBT_Domestic_Violence_Attorney_Program](http://www.probono.net/dv/oppsguide/organization.264432-GLBT_Domestic_Violence_Attorney_Program)
- GLBTQ Domestic Violence Project  
- HAWC: Healing Abuse, Working for Change  
- National Coalition Against Domestic Violence  
- National Domestic Violence Hotline  
  1-800-799-7233  
  1-800-787-3224 (TTY)  
- The Network / La Red  
- Northwest Network (Based in WA, provides referrals and resources nationwide)  
- Victim Rights Law Center  
- Voices Against Violence  
In most cases, domestic violence laws apply to people in same-sex partnerships:  

**Employment**

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

Massachusetts’ anti-discrimination law prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity or expression and HIV status. See GLAD’s information on employment protections:  

**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:  
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Massachusetts:  
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Massachusetts law forbids discrimination in public schools on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. See GLAD’s information on rights and protections:  
http://www.glad.org/rights/massachusetts/c/students-rights-in-massachusetts

Single gay people can adopt in Massachusetts; same-sex couples can jointly become the legal parents of a child. See GLAD’s information on legal protections:  

Know Your Rights: Bullying  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts
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Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243

Hate Crimes
Sexual orientation and gender identity or expression are protected characteristics under Massachusetts’ hate crimes laws. See GLAD’s information on definitions and legal options: http://www.glad.org/rights/what-is-a-hate-crime/sex-and-gender-laws-in-massachusetts

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Healthcare Bill of Rights
http://healthcarebillofrights.org/

Hospital Visitation Guide for LGBT Families
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http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/healthcare
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ID Documents
Changing Information on Drivers License: Name and gender.

Legal Name Change Procedure: http://www.mass.gov/courts/selfhelp/name-changes/

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.


Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

Immigration
Americans for Immigrant Justice http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality http://www.immigrationequality.org/

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq


Political Asylum / Immigration Representation Project http://www.pairproject.org/

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http://ncrj.org/

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Public Services and Facilities
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http://www.transequality.org/know-your-rights/housing-and-homeless-shelters

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For further resources on restroom access, see the Transgender Law Center's "Peeing in Peace" booklet:

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Social Security FAQ for Same-Sex Couples
https://faq.ssa.gov/link/portal/34011/34019/ArticleFolder/452/Same-Sex-Couples

Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples
http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/

**Taxes**


**Travel**

Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers:
http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363

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http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security
LGBT Rights by Country or Territory (a Wikipedia entry, so be sure to check references): https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT_rights_by_country_or_territory

U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information: http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html

**Voting Rights**

Election Protection: In Your State
http://www.866ourvote.org/state

Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
http://transequality.org/issues/resources/voting-while-trans-preparing-voter-id-laws
Michigan

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Michigan Legal Help
http://michiganlegalhelp.org/

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The Network / La Red
http://tnlr.org/

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http://nwnetwork.org/

**Employment**
Currently, Michigan state law does not protect private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; state employees are protected from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, but not gender identity or gender expression:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/michigan

Know Your Rights: LGBT Employees & Employees with HIV
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

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http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy
Currently, Michigan state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:

http://www.stopbullying.gov/laws/michigan.html

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

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http://www.hrc.org/state_maps
http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

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http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/healthcare

Know Your Rights! LGBT Older Adults & Older Adults Living with HIV
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=168

Housing
Unfortunately, the Fair Housing Act does not yet include sexual orientation or gender identity/expression, but many states and some cities include these as protected characteristics. See the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for more information:

See also the National LGBTQ Task Force’s Nondiscrimination Map for an infographic of states that ban housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression: http://www.thetaskforce.org/nondiscrimination-laws-map/

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National Center for Lesbian Rights: Asylum & Immigration Project  
http://www.nclrights.org/our-work/asylum-immigration/overview/

National Immigrant Justice Center: LGBT Immigrant Rights Initiative  
http://www.immigrantjustice.org/programs/lgbt-immigrant-rights-initiative

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Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples
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Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers: http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363

Know Your Rights: Airport Security: http://transexuality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security

LGBT Rights by Country or Territory (a Wikipedia entry, so be sure to check references): https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT_rights_by_country_or_territory

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Voting Rights
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http://nwnetwork.org/

**Employment**
Minnesota state law expressly protects state and private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression: http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/minnesota

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights  
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**Families**
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Any person may adopt, and second-parent adoption is approved in lower courts in Minnesota: http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/minnesota

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Minnesota:  
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Minnesota state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation and gender identity:  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/minnesota
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http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243
**Hate Crimes**

Minnesota state law addresses hate crimes based on sexual orientation and gender identity. See the HRC’s map of state laws and policies (click “select an issue” to choose hate crimes). See also the National LGBTQ Task Force hate crimes laws map.

http://www.hrc.org/state_maps
http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

**Health Care**

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http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=168

**Housing**

Minnesota Fair Housing Law bans housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation (which includes having a self-image or identity not traditionally associated with biological maleness or femaleness). See the Minnesota Department of Human Rights for more information or for enforcement:
http://mn.gov/mdhr/yourrights/mhra.html

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- Currently, Mississippi does not protect state or private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression:
  
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Legal Name Change Procedure: Instructions and list of local Chancery courts.

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Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:
http://www.msdh.state.ms.us/msdhsite/_static/31,0,109.html#

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
**Immigration**

Americans for Immigrant Justice  

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Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants  

National Center for Lesbian Rights: Asylum & Immigration Project  

National Immigrant Justice Center: LGBT Immigrant Rights Initiative  

Southern Poverty Law Center Immigrant Justice Project  
[https://www.splcenter.org/issues/immigrant-justice](https://www.splcenter.org/issues/immigrant-justice)

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Public Services and Facilities
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http://nwnetwork.org/

**Employment**

Currently, Missouri does not protect state or private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression:
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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

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Any person may adopt, and second-parent adoptions are approved in some lower courts in Missouri:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/missouri

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Missouri:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy
Currently, Missouri state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/missouri

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

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Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

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Legal Name Change Procedure: [http://www.selfrepresent.mo.gov/page.jsp?id=3834](http://www.selfrepresent.mo.gov/page.jsp?id=3834)

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:

Social Security Name Change Petition: [http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf)
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Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples
http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/

**Taxes**


**Travel**
Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers: http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363

Know Your Rights: Airport Security:
http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security

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Employment
Currently, Montana does not protect private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; state employees are protected from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, but not gender identity or gender expression:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/montana

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

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Legal Name Change Procedure: http://courts.mt.gov/library/topic/name_chg

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

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Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
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**Nevada**

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http://nlslaw.net/

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http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy
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http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/nevada

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Domestic violence laws apply to same-sex spouses and most other same-sex couples:

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New Hampshire's anti-discrimination law prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation and HIV status, but not gender identity. See GLAD’s information on employment protections:

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http://www.glad.org/rights/newhampshire/c/students-rights-in-new-hampshire

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Voting Rights
Election Protection: In Your State http://www.866ourvote.org/state


New Mexico

**Advocates and Allies**

Law Help New Mexico
http://www.lawhelpnewmexico.org/

New Mexico Legal Aid
http://www.nmlegalaid.org/

**Domestic Violence**

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence
http://www.ncadv.org/

National Domestic Violence Hotline
1-800-799-7233
1-800-787-3224 (TTY)
http://www.thehotline.org/

The Network / La Red
http://tnlr.org/

Northwest Network (Based in WA, provides referrals and resources nationwide)
http://nwnetwork.org/

**Employment**

New Mexico state law expressly protects state and private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression: http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/new-mexico

Know Your Rights: LGBT Employees & Employees with HIV
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Any individual approved by the court may adopt, and second-parent adoptions are approved in some lower courts in New Mexico:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/new-mexico
Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in New Mexico:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Currently, New Mexico state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation but not gender identity:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/new-mexico

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

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Know Your Rights: Transgender Students in College
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/in-college-faq

Know Your Rights: Updating School Records
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/ferpa-faq

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone
Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243

**Hate Crimes**
New Mexico state law addresses hate crimes based on sexual orientation and gender identity. See the HRC’s map of state laws and policies (click “select an issue” to choose hate crimes). See also the National LGBTQ Task Force hate crimes laws map.
http://www.hrc.org/state_maps
http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

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**Housing**
New Mexico Fair Housing Law bans housing discrimination on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity/expression. See the New Mexico Human Rights Bureau for more information or for enforcement:
http://www.dws.state.nm.us/Labor-Relations/Human-Rights/Information

**ID Documents**
Changing Information on Drivers License: Name and gender.

Legal Name Change Procedure: Instructions and list of district courts.

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:
http://archive.vitalrecordsnm.org/birth.shtml

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

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http://www.aijustice.org/
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Voting Rights
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**New York**

*Advocates and Allies*

- Legal Clinics (LGBT Bar Association of Greater New York)

- LGBT Legal Resource Center (LGBT Bar Association of Greater New York)
  [http://le-gal.org/resources/](http://le-gal.org/resources/)

- New York Legal Assistance Group
  [http://nylag.org/](http://nylag.org/)

- Sylvia Rivera Law Project

*Domestic Violence*

- National Coalition Against Domestic Violence

- National Domestic Violence Hotline
  1-800-799-7233
  1-800-787-3224 (TTY)

- The Network / La Red

- New York City Anti-Violence Project

- Northwest Network (Based in WA, provides referrals and resources nationwide)

*Employment*

New York state law protects state employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression; private sector employees are protected from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, but not gender identity or gender expression: [http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/new-york](http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/new-york)

- Know Your Rights: LGBT Employees & Employees with HIV
  [http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace](http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace)

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Any individual or couple may adopt, and second-parent adoptions are approved in New York:  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/new-york

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in New York:  
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Currently, New York state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation but not gender identity: 

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

Know Your Rights: Transgender Parenting
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

Know Your Rights: Transgender Students in College
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/in-college-faq

Know Your Rights: Updating School Records
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/ferpa-faq

Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:
**Financial Instruments**

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets in Life
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-assets

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets After You’re Gone
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone

Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
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http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=168

LGBT Older Adults: Know Your Rights in NY State Nursing Homes
http://issuu.com/lgbtagingcenter/docs/lambda-legal---new-york-state-nursing-homes

Medicaid Regulations in New York

**Housing**

New York Fair Housing Law bans housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. See the New York State Division of Human Rights for more information or for enforcement: http://www.dhr.ny.gov/
**ID Documents**

Changing Information on Drivers License: [http://dmv.ny.gov/driver-license/changing-name-or-non-address-information](http://dmv.ny.gov/driver-license/changing-name-or-non-address-information)

Legal Name Change Procedure: Instructions and forms.

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate: Instructions; forms for New York City and the rest of the state.

Social Security Name Change Petition: [http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf)

**Immigration**

Americans for Immigrant Justice

Immigration Equality

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants

National Center for Lesbian Rights: Asylum & Immigration Project

National Immigrant Justice Center: LGBT Immigrant Rights Initiative

Hofstra Law Asylum Clinic
[http://law.hofstra.edu/clinics/politicalasylumclinic/](http://law.hofstra.edu/clinics/politicalasylumclinic/)

Immigrant Rights Project

Low Cost Immigration Service Providers
[http://www.thenyic.org/sites/default/files/Low_Cost_Immigration_Service_Providers_Final_Draft_6.15.15_0.pdf](http://www.thenyic.org/sites/default/files/Low_Cost_Immigration_Service_Providers_Final_Draft_6.15.15_0.pdf)

Queer Detainee Empowerment Project
**Law Enforcement**

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National Center for Reason and Justice  
[http://ncrj.org/](http://ncrj.org/)

Prisoner Justice Project  
[http://srlp.org/about/legal-services/prisoner-justice-project/](http://srlp.org/about/legal-services/prisoner-justice-project/)

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[https://www.outserve-sldn.org/](https://www.outserve-sldn.org/)

SPART*A: Service Members, Partners, Allies for Respect and Tolerance for All  
Public Services and Facilities

Housing and Shelter Resources
http://srlp.org/new-york-city-housing-and-shelter-resources/

Homeless shelters funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) must legally be made available without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status. See the 2012 ruling for more details: https://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=12lgbtfinalrule.pdf

To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/topics/homelessness/localassist

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Social Security

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**Voting Rights**

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**Employment**

Currently, North Carolina state law does not protect state or private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/north-carolina

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**Housing**
Unfortunately, the Fair Housing Act does not yet include sexual orientation or gender identity/expression, but many states and some cities include these as protected characteristics. See the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for more information:

See also the National LGBTQ Task Force’s Nondiscrimination Map for an infographic of states that ban housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression: http://www.thetaskforce.org/nondiscrimination-laws-map/

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Voting Rights
Election Protection: In Your State
http://www.866ourvote.org/state

Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
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[http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace](http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace)

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights  

**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:  
[https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students](https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students)

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[http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy](http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy)
Currently, North Dakota state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/north-dakota

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

Know Your Rights: Transgender Parenting
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/in-college-faq

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/ferpa-faq

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Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets After You’re Gone
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone

Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243
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http://www.hrc.org/state_maps
http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

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http://healthcarebillofrights.org/

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Know Your Rights: Healthcare
http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/healthcare

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Unfortunately, the Fair Housing Act does not yet include sexual orientation or gender identity/expression, but many states and some cities include these as protected characteristics. See the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for more information:

See also the National LGBTQ Task Force’s Nondiscrimination Map for an infographic of states that ban housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression: http://www.thetaskforce.org/nondiscrimination-laws-map/

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Changing Information on Drivers License: FAQ and list of locations.

Legal Name Change Procedure: Instructions and list of district courts.

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate: https://www.ndhealth.gov/vital/

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
Immigration

Americans for Immigrant Justice
http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq

National Center for Lesbian Rights: Asylum & Immigration Project
http://www.nclrights.org/our-work/asylum-immigration/overview/

National Immigrant Justice Center: LGBT Immigrant Rights Initiative
http://www.immigrantjustice.org/programs/lgbt-immigrant-rights-initiative

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Laws, Court Decisions & Advocacy Tips to Protect Transgender Prisoners
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/laws-court-decisions-advocacy-tips-protect-transgender-prisoners

National Center for Reason and Justice
http://ncrj.org/

What to do if You’re Stopped by Police, Immigration Agents or the FBI
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/what-do-if-youre-stopped-police-immigration-agents-or-fbi

Military

American Bar Association: Home Front
GI Rights Hotline
1-877-447-4487
http://girightshotline.org/

MPFC: Military Partners and Families Coalition
http://www.milpfc.org/

OutServe-Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN)
https://www.outserve-sldn.org/

SPART*A: Service Members, Partners, Allies for Respect and Tolerance for All
http://www.spartapride.org/

Public Services and Facilities
Homeless shelters funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) must legally be made available without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status. See the 2012 ruling for more details:

To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance:

If you have experienced discrimination while trying to access a homeless shelter, see the National Center for Transgender Equality's resource on rights and how to file complaints:
http://www.transequality.org/know-your-rights/housing-and-homeless-shelters

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/trans-restroom/transgender

For further resources on restroom access, see the Transgender Law Center's "Peeing in Peace" booklet:

Social Security
Social Security FAQ for Same-Sex Couples
https://faq.ssa.gov/link/portal/34011/34019/ArticleFolder/452/Same-Sex-Couples
Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples
http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/

Taxes


Travel
Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers: http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363


LGBT Rights by Country or Territory (a Wikipedia entry, so be sure to check references): https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT_rights_by_country_or_territory

U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information: http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html

Voting Rights
Election Protection: In Your State http://www.866ourvote.org/state


Ohio

**Advocates and Allies**
Ohio Legal Services
http://www.ohiolegalservices.org/public/legal_problem

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http://www.thehotline.org/

The Network / La Red
http://tnlr.org/

Northwest Network (Based in WA, provides referrals and resources nationwide)
http://nwnetwork.org/

**Employment**
Currently, Ohio state law does not protect private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; state employees are protected from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, but not gender identity or gender expression: http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/ohio

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

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Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/in-college-faq

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone

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Unfortunately, the Fair Housing Act does not yet include sexual orientation or gender identity/expression, but many states and some cities include these as protected characteristics. See the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for more information:

See also the National LGBTQ Task Force’s Nondiscrimination Map for an infographic of states that ban housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression: http://www.thetaskforce.org/nondiscrimination-laws-map/

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Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

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Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
Immigration

Americans for Immigrant Justice
http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq

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Public Services and Facilities
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http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security

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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT_rights_by_country_or_territory

U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information:
http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html

**Voting Rights**

Election Protection: In Your State
http://www.866ourvote.org/state


Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
http://transequality.org/issues/resources/voting-while-trans-preparing-voter-id-laws
Oklahoma

Advocates and Allies
Legal Aid Oklahoma
http://oklaw.org/

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Employment
Currently, Oklahoma state law does not protect state or private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/oklahoma

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http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

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Public Services and Facilities

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For further resources on restroom access, see the Transgender Law Center's "Peeing in Peace" booklet: http://translaw.wpengine.com/issues/public-accomodations/peeing-in-peace

Social Security

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http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security

Travel
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Voting Rights
Election Protection: In Your State
http://www.866ourvote.org/state

Voting Rights
Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting Rights
Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
http://transequality.org/issues/resources/voting-while-trans-preparing-voter-id-laws
Oregon

Advocates and Allies

Legal Resources (Q Center)
http://www.pdxqcenter.org/resources/non-medical/legal-resources-2/

Oregon Law Help
http://oregonlawhelp.org/

Transgender Justice Resources (Basic Rights Oregon)
http://www.basicrights.org/category/resources/trans-justice-resources/

Domestic Violence

Domestic Violence Resources (Q Center)
http://www.pdxqcenter.org/resources/non-medical/domestic-violence-resources/

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Employment

Oregon state law expressly protects state and private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression:
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Any person may adopt, and second-parent adoptions are approved in lower courts in Oregon:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/oregon

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protection-your-assets

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets After You’re Gone
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone

Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243

hate_crimes
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http://www.hrc.org/state_maps
http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

healthcare
Healthcare Bill of Rights
http://healthcarebillofrights.org/

Hospital Visitation Guide for LGBT Families
http://www.hrc.org/resources/entry/hospital-visitation-guide-for-lgbt-families

Know Your Rights: Healthcare
http://tranequality.org/know-your-rights/healthcare

Know Your Rights! LGBT Older Adults & Older Adults Living with HIV
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=168

Housing

Access Services: Housing (Cascade AIDS Project)
http://www.cascadeaids.org/access-services/housing/

Fair Housing (Q Center)
http://www.pdxqcenter.org/fairhousing/
Guide to LGBT Friendly Senior Housing in Oregon

**ID Documents**
Changing Information on Drivers License: Name and gender.

Legal Name Change Procedure: Instructions and list of county courts.

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:
https://public.health.oregon.gov/BirthDeathCertificates/ChangeVitalRecords/Pages/CourtOrderChangeSex.aspx

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

**Immigration**
Americans for Immigrant Justice
http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq

National Center for Lesbian Rights: Asylum & Immigration Project
http://www.nclrights.org/our-work/asylum-immigration/overview/

National Immigrant Justice Center: LGBT Immigrant Rights Initiative
http://www.immigrantjustice.org/programs/lgbt-immigrant-rights-initiative

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National Center for Reason and Justice
http://ncrj.org/

What to do if You’re Stopped by Police, Immigration Agents or the FBI
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/what-do-if-youre-stopped-police-immigration-agents-or-fbi

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Public Services and Facilities
Homeless shelters funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) must legally be made available without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status. See the 2012 ruling for more details: https://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=12lgbtfinalrule.pdf

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http://www.transequality.org/know-your-rights/housing-and-homeless-shelters
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For further resources on restroom access, see the Transgender Law Center's "Peeing in Peace" booklet:

**Social Security**

Social Security FAQ for Same-Sex Couples
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Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples
http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/

**Taxes**


**Travel**

Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers:
http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363

Know Your Rights: Airport Security:
http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security

LGBT Rights by Country or Territory (a Wikipedia entry, so be sure to check references):
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U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information:
http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html

**Voting Rights**

Election Protection: In Your State
http://www.866ourvote.org/state

Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
http://transequality.org/issues/resources/voting-while-trans-preparing-voter-id-laws
Pennsylvania

**Advocates and Allies**

AIDS Law Project of Pennsylvania
http://www.aidslawpa.org/

LGBT Elder Initiative Resource Guides
http://lgbteiresources.blogspot.com/

Mazzoni Center Legal Services
https://mazzonicenter.org/legal-services

Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network
http://www.palegalaid.net/

**Domestic Violence**

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence
http://www.ncadv.org/

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http://tnlr.org/

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http://nwnetwork.org/

**Employment**

Currently, Pennsylvania state law does not protect private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; state employees are protected from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/pennsylvania

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq
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ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Any individual may adopt, and second-parent adoptions are permitted in Pennsylvania:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/pennsylvania

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Pennsylvania:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Currently, Pennsylvania state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:
http://www.stopbullying.gov/laws/pennsylvania.html

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

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**Housing**

 Unfortunately, the Fair Housing Act does not yet include sexual orientation or gender identity/expression, but many states and some cities include these as protected characteristics. See the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for more information:

See also the National LGBTQ Task Force’s Nondiscrimination Map for an infographic of states that ban housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression: http://www.thetaskforce.org/nondiscrimination-laws-map/

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http://www.health.pa.gov/MyRecords/Certificates/BirthCertificates/Pages/612936.aspx #.ValvjPIViko

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf

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**Rhode Island**

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Rhode Island Legal Services  

Rhode Island Legal Services Senior Citizens Program  

TGI Network of RI  

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**Employment**

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[http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace](http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace)

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights  

**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Rhode Island:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Rhode Island law says that students, teachers and staff have the right to attend or work at a safe school. Sexual orientation and gender identity and expression are explicitly mentioned as protected characteristics. See GLAD’s information on student rights and protections: http://www.glad.org/rights/rhodeisland/c/students-rights-in-rhode-island

Single gay people can adopt in Rhode Island; in most cases, same-sex couples can jointly become the legal parents of a child. See GLAD’s information on protections: http://www.glad.org/rights/rhodeisland/c/family-law-in-rhode-island

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
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Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:  
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**Hate Crimes**  
Sexual orientation and gender identity are protected characteristics under Rhode Island’s hate crimes laws. See GLAD’s information on definitions and legal options:  

**Health Care**  
Healthcare Bill of Rights  
http://healthcarebillofrights.org/

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**Housing**  
Rhode Island’s anti-discrimination law prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status and gender identity or expression. See GLAD’s information on housing protections:  

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Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples

http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/

**Taxes**

Tax, Estate Planning, Benefits Opportunities After Supreme Court’s Same-Sex Marriage Decision:


Taxes and IRS Announce That All Legal Same-Sex Marriages Will Be Recognized For Federal Tax Purposes; Ruling Provides Certainty, Benefits and Protections Under Federal Tax Law for Same-Sex Married Couples:


**Travel**

Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers:

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**South Dakota**

*Advocates and Allies*

Free Legal Aid South Dakota  

Legal Services for Senior Citizens  
[http://atg.sd.gov/Seniors/BenefitsandServices/LegalServices.aspx](http://atg.sd.gov/Seniors/BenefitsandServices/LegalServices.aspx)

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Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
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Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
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http://nwnetwork.org/

**Employment**

Utah state law expressly protects state and private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression: http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/utah

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ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections: https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Any adult (as long as they are not cohabitating outside of marriage) may adopt, but second-parent adoption is not yet confirmed in statute in Utah: http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/utah

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Utah:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy
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Legal Name Change Procedure:
http://www.utcourts.gov/resources/forms/namechange/

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:
http://health.utah.gov/vitalrecords/main/NameChangeBC.html

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
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http://www.aijustice.org/

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Domestic violence laws apply to same-sex couples in most cases:

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Vermont’s anti-discrimination law prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status and gender identity. See GLAD’s information on employment protections:

**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
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Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Vermont:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy
Single gay people can adopt in Vermont; same-sex couples can jointly become the legal parents of a child. See GLAD’s information on protections:

Vermont law forbids discrimination in public schools on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity. See GLAD’s information on student rights and protections:
http://www.glad.org/rights/vermont/c/students-rights-in-vermont

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

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Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243

**Hate Crimes**

Sexual orientation and gender identity are protected characteristics under Vermont’s hate crimes laws. See GLAD’s information on definitions and legal options:

**Health Care**

Healthcare Bill of Rights
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**Housing**

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https://www.vermontjudiciary.org/gtc/Probate/namechange.aspx

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Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate: File a court order through the probate court, as per the State Vital Records Office.

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Know Your Rights: Airport Security:
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**Voting Rights**

Election Protection: In Your State
[http://www.866ourvote.org/state](http://www.866ourvote.org/state)

Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
Washington

**Advocates and Allies**

Office of Civil Legal Aid
http://ocla.wa.gov/contact/finding-legal-help/

Washington Law Help
http://www.washingtonlawhelp.org/

**Domestic Violence**

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1-800-787-3224 (TTY)
http://www.thehotline.org/

The Network / La Red
http://tnlr.org/

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http://nwnetwork.org/

**Employment**

Washington state law expressly protects state and private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression: http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/washington

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Any person may adopt, and second-partner adoption is granted by many judges but not yet confirmed in statute in Washington:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/washington
Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Washington:  
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Washington state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation and gender identity:  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/washington

Know Your Rights: Bullying  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

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Know Your Rights: Updating School Records  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/ferpa-faq

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone
Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:  
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**Hate Crimes**
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http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

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http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/healthcare

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Washington Fair Housing Law bans housing discrimination on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity/expression. See the Washington State Human Rights Commission for more information or for enforcement:  

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Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:  
http://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/BirthDeathMarriageandDivorce/GenderChange

Social Security Name Change Petition:  
http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
**Immigration**

Americans for Immigrant Justice  
http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality  
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants  
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To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/topics/homelessness/localassist

If you have experienced discrimination while trying to access a homeless shelter, see the National Center for Transgender Equality's resource on rights and how to file complaints: http://www.transequality.org/know-your-rights/housing-and-homeless-shelters

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West Virginia

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**Employment**

Currently, West Virginia state law does not protect state or private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression:  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/west-virginia

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-workplace-faq

**Families**

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students’ legal rights and protections:  
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/lgbt-high-school-students

Any individual or married couple may adopt, and some second-parent adoptions are granted in limited jurisdictions in West Virginia:  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/west-virginia

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in West Virginia:  
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy
Currently, West Virginia state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/west-virginia

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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

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Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
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http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

Know Your Rights: Transgender Parenting
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**Housing**
Unfortunately, the Fair Housing Act does not yet include sexual orientation or gender identity/expression, but many states and some cities include these as protected characteristics. See the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for more information:

See also the National LGBTQ Task Force’s Nondiscrimination Map for an infographic of states that ban housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression: http://www.thetaskforce.org/nondiscrimination-laws-map/

**ID Documents**
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Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate: Procedure and form.

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
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http://girightshotline.org/

MPFC: Military Partners and Families Coalition
http://www.milpfc.org/

OutServe-Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN)
https://www.OURSE-sldn.org/

SPART*A: Service Members, Partners, Allies for Respect and Tolerance for All
http://www.spartapride.org/

Public Services and Facilities
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To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance:

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**Travel**

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Wisconsin

**Advocates and Allies**

Legal Action of Wisconsin
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**Domestic Violence**

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Any adult may adopt, but second-parent adoptions are not yet permitted in Wyoming:  

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Wyoming:  
[http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy](http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy)
Currently, Wyoming state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:
http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/wyoming

Know Your Rights: Bullying
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/bullying/youth

Know Your Rights: Gay-Straight Alliances
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/gay-straight-alliances/youth

Know Your Rights: How the Law Protects LGBTQ Youth
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/how-the-law-protects-lgbtq-youth-0

Know Your Rights: Preparing Wills and Trusts
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/wills-trusts

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-children

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/your-speech-rights/youth

Know Your Rights: Transgender Parenting
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/trans-parenting-faq

Know Your Rights: Transgender Students in College
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/in-college-faq

Know Your Rights: Updating School Records
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/ferpa-faq

Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:

Financial Instruments

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets in Life
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/protecting-your-assets

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets After You’re Gone
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/take-the-power/assets-after-youre-gone

Tips for LGBT Older People on Financial Security:
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=243
**Hate Crimes**

States vary in hate crime legislation, and laws and protections change rapidly. See the HRC’s map of state laws and policies (click “select an issue” to choose hate crimes). See also the National LGBTQ Task Force hate crimes laws map.

http://www.hrc.org/state_maps
http://www.thetaskforce.org/hate-crimes-laws-map/

**Health Care**

Healthcare Bill of Rights
http://healthcarebillofrights.org/

Hospital Visitation Guide for LGBT Families
http://www.hrc.org/resources/entry/hospital-visitation-guide-for-lgbt-families

Know Your Rights: Healthcare
http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/healthcare

Know Your Rights! LGBT Older Adults & Older Adults Living with HIV
http://sageusa.org/resources/publications.cfm?ID=168

**Housing**

Unfortunately, the Fair Housing Act does not yet include sexual orientation or gender identity/expression, but many states and some cities include these as protected characteristics. See the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for more information:


See also the National LGBTQ Task Force’s Nondiscrimination Map for an infographic of states that ban housing discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression: http://www.thetaskforce.org/nondiscrimination-laws-map/

**ID Documents**

Changing Information on Drivers License: Information and local offices.

Legal Name Change Procedure: Instructions and list of district courts.

Passport Name Change: For a passport less than 1 year old or for an older passport.

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:

Social Security Name Change Petition: http://www.socialsecurity.gov/forms/ss-5fs.pdf
**Immigration**

Americans for Immigrant Justice  
http://www.aijustice.org/

Immigration Equality  
http://www.immigrationequality.org/

Know Your Rights: Transgender Immigrants  
http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/transgender/immigration-faq

National Center for Lesbian Rights: Asylum & Immigration Project  
http://www.nclrights.org/our-work/asylum-immigration/overview/

National Immigrant Justice Center: LGBT Immigrant Rights Initiative  
http://www.immigrantjustice.org/programs/lgbt-immigrant-rights-initiative

**Law Enforcement**

Black & Pink: Prison Abolition Now!  
http://www.blackandpink.org/

Equity Project: Ensuring Fairness and Respect for LGBT Youth in Juvenile Delinquency Courts  
http://www.equityproject.org/

Know Your Rights: Tips for Trans People Dealing with Cops and Jails  

Laws, Court Decisions & Advocacy Tips to Protect Transgender Prisoners  
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/laws-court-decisions-advocacy-tips-protect-transgender-prisoners

National Center for Reason and Justice  
http://ncrj.org/

What to do if You’re Stopped by Police, Immigration Agents or the FBI  
https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/what-do-if-youre-stopped-police-immigration-agents-or-fbi

**Military**

American Bar Association: Home Front  
GI Rights Hotline
1-877-447-4487
http://girightshotline.org/

MPFC: Military Partners and Families Coalition
http://www.milpfc.org/

OutServe-Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN)
https://www.outserve-sldn.org/

SPART*A: Service Members, Partners, Allies for Respect and Tolerance for All
http://www.spartapride.org/

Public Services and Facilities
Homeless shelters funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) must legally be made available without regard to actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status. See the 2012 ruling for more details: https://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=12lgbtfinalrule.pdf

To find a shelter in your area, search the HUD list for homeless assistance: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/topics/homelessness/localassist

If you have experienced discrimination while trying to access a homeless shelter, see the National Center for Transgender Equality's resource on rights and how to file complaints: http://www.transequality.org/know-your-rights/housing-and-homeless-shelters

Public accommodations laws and policies vary by state. See the Human Rights Campaign issues map and select "statewide public accommodations laws & policies" to see an up-to-date infographic of laws and policies: http://www.hrc.org/state_maps

Restroom access rights for transgender people vary by location, and are generally won after court cases. See Lambda Legal's list of states that protect restroom access, FAQs about restroom access, and tips for trans people on this topic: http://www.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/trans-restroom/transgender

For further resources on restroom access, see the Transgender Law Center's "Peeing in Peace" booklet: http://translaw.wpengine.com/issues/public-accomodations/peeing-in-peace

Social Security
Social Security FAQ for Same-Sex Couples
https://faq.ssa.gov/link/portal/34011/34019/ArticleFolder/452/Same-Sex-Couples
Social Security Important Information for Same-Sex Couples
http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sexcouples/

**Taxes**


**Travel**
Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Transgender Passengers: http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363

Know Your Rights: Airport Security:
http://transequality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security

LGBT Rights by Country or Territory (a Wikipedia entry, so be sure to check references): https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/LGBT_rights_by_country_or_territory

U.S. Department of State LGBTI Travel Information:
http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/go/lgbt.html

**Voting Rights**
Election Protection: In Your State
http://www.866ourvote.org/state

Voting While Trans Checklist:

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws
http://transequality.org/issues/resources/voting-while-trans-preparing-voter-id-laws