



Additional SOGI Definitions

Pronouns:

Pronouns are the words people should use when they are referring to you, but not using your name

Gender Identity:

A person's inner sense of being a girl/woman/ female, boy/man/male, something else, or having no gender.

- **Cis or Cisgender** describes a person whose gender identity is consistent in a traditional sense with their sex assigned at birth; for example, a person assigned female sex at birth whose gender identity is woman/female.
- **Nonbinary** describes a person whose gender identity falls outside of the traditional gender binary structure of girl/woman and boy/man.
- **Two Spirit** describes a person who embodies both a masculine and a feminine spirit. This is a culture-specific term used among some Native American, American Indian, and First Nations people.
- **Gender Fluid** describes a person whose gender identity is not fixed. A person who is gender fluid may always feel like a mix of more than one gender, may feel more aligned with a certain gender some of the time, another gender at other times, both genders sometimes, and sometimes no gender at all.
- **Bigender** describes a person whose gender identity combines two genders.
- **Agender** describes a person who identifies as having no gender, or who does not experience gender as a primary identity component.

- **Demigirl** describes a person who partially identifies as a woman or girl and feels partly outside the binary and/or agender.
- **Demiboy** describes a person who partially identifies as a man or boy and feels partly outside the binary and/or agender.
- **Questioning** describes a person who is unsure about or is exploring their gender identity.

Sex assigned at birth:

Refers to the sex that is assigned to an infant, most often based on the infant's anatomical and other biological characteristics. Sometimes referred to as birth sex, natal sex, biological sex, or sex.

- **Intersex** describes a group of congenital conditions in which the reproductive organs, genitals, and/or other sexual anatomy do not develop according to traditional expectations for females or males.
- **Sexual Orientation** is how a person characterizes their emotional and sexual attraction to others.
- **Queer** is an umbrella term describing people who think of their sexual orientation or gender identity as outside of societal norms.
- **Pansexual/Bi+** means emotionally and physically attracted to people of all gender identities, or attractions not related to other people's gender.
- **Asexual** means little or no sexual attraction to others. Asexual people may still engage in sexual activity.
- **Questioning** describes a person who is unsure about or is exploring their sexual orientation.