



# GENDER HEALTH CENTER

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Dear Colleagues,

This May almost half of the staff members of Gender Health Center will be participating in this year's NorCal Aids Cycle Ride. We will be riding our bicycles over 300 miles in just 4 days to raise much needed money and awareness for local area HIV/AIDS service providers. With 8 riders and 2 crew, we have all pledged to raise \$24,000.00 as a team to participate in this incredible adventure.

At Gender Health Center, we are committed to this fight to "Get to Zero" new cases of HIV for the entire Northern California region. We know that the Transgender community is especially hard hit by this epidemic as the following statistics show:

- **Transgender women** are one of the **most highly impacted** groups in the HIV epidemic to date, yet they are disproportionately under-researched and underserved by current treatment efforts.
- **Transgender women** have **49 times higher** odds of HIV infection compared to other groups, a disparity that exists across race, culture, and socioeconomic boundaries. Disparate prevalence rates of HIV are **particularly pronounced** for **African American transgender women** when compared with transgender women of other races and ethnicities.
- **HIV+ transgender women** have an almost **three-fold higher** community viral load than non-transgender HIV+ adults in San Francisco (64,160 vs. 22,376), and likely elsewhere. HIV-related mortality and morbidity rates have also been found to be higher among transgender women
- There is evidence that current efforts to provide effective treatment to **transgender women** living with HIV are **not as successful** as with other populations.

Submissions must be in to GHC before April 15<sup>th</sup>. For questions about Gender Health Center or NCAC contact Robyn at 916-438-9843 or email [robyn@ghcmail.org](mailto:robyn@ghcmail.org).

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- Full Pocket logo on team jersey
- 8 tickets to Gender Bender Ball 2018
- Logo on GHC team website



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- 4 tickets to Gender Bender Ball 2018
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Thank you for your consideration,

*Robyn Learned*

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