GENDER TERMS

GENDER IDENTITY

An individual's experience with their own gender



"I identify as male"

"My pronouns are he / him / his"

"I identify as genderqueer"

"My pronouns are they / them / theirs"



Gender non-conforming (or genderqueer, or non-binary) refers to individuals who do not fully identify as male or female

An individual may not use traditionally masculine or feminine pronouns



Always acknowledge and be respectful of an individual's gender identity and pronouns

By definition, **gender identity** differs from...



SEX ASSIGNED AT BIRTH

An individual's sex given at birth, typically related to biological anatomy



is an umbrella term referring to any individual whose gender identity does not fully correspond with their sex assigned at birth



GENDER EXPRESSION

The behavior, mannerisms, interests, dress, or appearance associated with gender, typically based on gender stereotypes



"He expresses himself in a traditionally masculine way"



SEXUAL ORIENTATION

An individual's sexual identity vis-à-vis the gender to which they are attracted



"I identify as gay"

"I identify as straight"

