

TRANSGENDER RIGHTS ARE HUMAN RIGHTS



0.1–1.1% of the global population are transgender

Globally 19% of transgender women are living with HIV

61% of countries' national AIDS strategic plans do not include transgender people

57 countries criminalize or prosecute transgender people

UNAIDS is working with governments, partners and transgender communities to increase access to health services for transgender people



"If you take the time to know us, you would realize that there is a human being that is very similar to you. What is wrong with a person who is striving to be who he is?"

Marco

"We have the expectation that reducing preconceptions and stigma will improve the lives of people in the future."

Alessandra Ramos

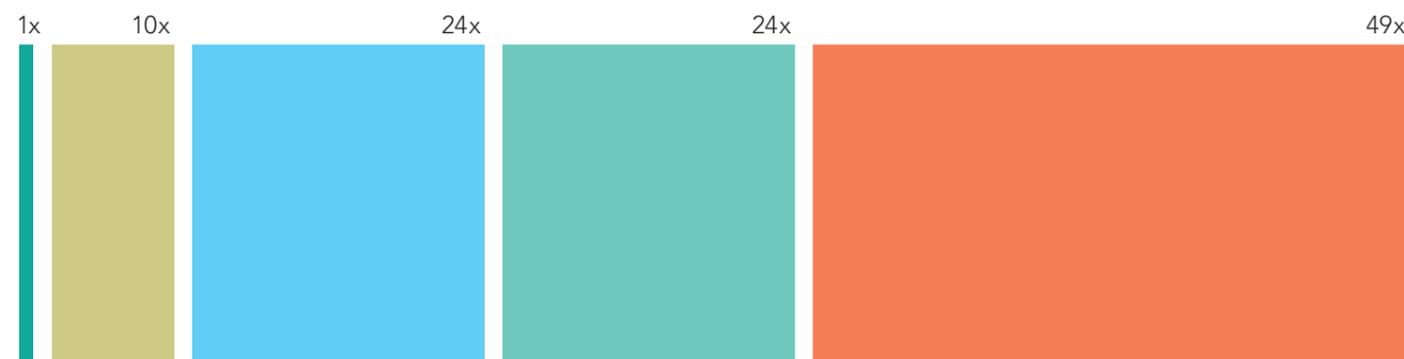


"No more transphobic and homophobic society. I want a better world for all human beings!"

Simran Shaikh

Transgender and HIV risk

Transgender people are 49 times more likely to acquire HIV than all adults of reproductive age. They face, from a young age, stigma, discrimination and social rejection in their homes and communities for expressing their gender identity. Such discrimination, violence and criminalization prevent transgender people from getting the HIV services they need stay healthy.



Risk of acquiring HIV compared to adults in the **General population** // **Sex workers** // **Gay men and other MSM** // **People who inject drugs** // **Transgender people**

What transgender people are facing

EXCLUSION

- Violence
- Social exclusion
- Barriers to accessing social services
- Verbal, physical and sexual harassment
- Barriers to housing
- Discrimination in health care settings
- Barriers to education
- HIV infection

What transgender people want

INCLUSION

- Physical safety
- Gender identity recognition
- Community led engagement
- Emotional safety
- Respect for gender expression
- Equitable stigma free health services
- Right to education
- Trans-competent HIV services