

LGBTQ Legal Resource Guide

Resources on Laws, Procedures, and Rights

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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.

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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

Bamforth, Nicholas. 2014. *Sexual orientation and rights*. Burlington, VT: Ashgate. ISBN: 9781409430407.

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.

Duffy, Christine Michelle, Denise M. Visconti, D'Arcy Kemnitz, and National LGBT Bar Association. 2014. *Gender identity and sexual orientation discrimination in the workplace: A practical guide*. Arlington, VA: BNA Bloomberg. ISBN: 9781617463006. 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.

Howell, Ally Windsor. 2013. *Transgender persons and the law*. Chicago: American Bar Association. ISBN: 9781614389750

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.

Moulding, Karen, and Robert Achtenberg. 2012 (updated annually). *Sexual orientation and the law*. Eagan, MN: Thomson Reuters Business. ISBN: 0876324545

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.

Oakes, Anne Richardson. 2015. *Controversies in equal protection cases in America: Race, gender, and sexual orientation*. Burlington, VT: Ashgate. ISBN: 9781409454274.

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

<https://law.ucla.edu/centers/social-policy/williams-institute-on-sexual-orientation-and-gender-identity-law-and-public-policy/about/>

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

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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:

<http://www.caringinfo.org/files/public/ad/Alabama.pdf>

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:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp/LGBT_Housing_Discrimination

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>

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
<http://srlp.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/08/police-interaction-color-edit.pdf>

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

http://www.americanbar.org/portals/public_resources/aba_home_front.html

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-sex-couples/>

Taxes

Tax, Estate Planning, Benefits Opportunities After Supreme Court's Same-Sex Marriage Decision: <http://www.forbes.com/sites/ashleaebeling/2015/06/26/tax-estate-planning-benefits-opportunities-after-supreme-courts-obergefell-gay-rights-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: <http://www.irs.gov/uac/Newsroom/Treasury-and-IRS-Announce-That-All-Legal-Same-Sex-Marriages-Will-Be-Recognized-For-Federal-Tax-Purposes%3B-Ruling-Provides-Certainty,-Benefits-and-Protections-Under-Federal-Tax-Law-for-Same-Sex-Married-Couples>

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:

http://transequality.org/sites/default/files/docs/resources/VotingWhileTrans_Checklist_FINAL_Oct2014.pdf

Voting While Trans: Preparing for Voter ID Laws

<http://transequality.org/issues/resources/voting-while-trans-preparing-voter-id-laws>

Alaska

Advocates and Allies

Alaska Legal Services Corporation

<http://www.alsc-law.org/>

Domestic Violence

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence

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National Domestic Violence Hotline

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<http://nwnetwork.org/>

Employment

Currently, Alaska state law does not protect private sector employees from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. State employees may have protection through an executive order, but not through a statewide law:

<http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/alaska>

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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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ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students' legal rights and protections:

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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>

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Changing Information on Drivers License: <http://doa.alaska.gov/dmv/akol/namchg.htm>

Legal Name Change Procedure:

<http://www.courtrecords.alaska.gov/webdocs/forms/civ-699.pdf> (instructions);

<http://www.courtrecords.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:

http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/VitalStats/Documents/birth/birth_form.pdf

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

Immigration

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Arizona

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

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<http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/Arizona>

Know Your Rights: Bullying

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Know Your Rights: Updating School Records

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

Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:

<http://www.caringinfo.org/files/public/ad/Arizona.pdf>

Financial Instruments

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets in Life

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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://www.azdot.gov/mvd/driver-services/driver-license-information/change-your-address-or-name>

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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://www.azdhs.gov/vital-records/corrections-amendments/birth/corrections.htm>

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Immigration

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Public Services and Facilities

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Northwest Arkansas Center for Equality
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Any unmarried adult may adopt, but second-parent adoptions are not yet permitted in Arkansas: <http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/arkansas>

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Arkansas state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation and gender identity:

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

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California

Advocates and Allies

California Department of Consumer Affairs: Legal Guides
http://www.dca.ca.gov/publications/legal_guides/index.shtml

Domestic Violence

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Families

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Any adult may adopt and second-parent adoptions are permitted in California, with sexual orientation and gender identity discrimination banned:
<http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/california>

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<http://www.casacornelia.org/>

Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights of Los Angeles

<http://www.chirla.org/>

Immigration Justice Project of San Diego

http://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_services/immigration/projects_initiatives/immigration_justice_project_ijp_of_san_diego.html

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Advocates and Allies

Colorado Bar Association Educational Materials and Brochures

<http://www.cobar.org/index.cfm/ID/2760/dppl/Educational-Materials/-Brochures/>

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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>

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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:

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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:

http://transequality.org/sites/default/files/docs/resources/VotingWhileTrans_Checklist_FINAL_Oct2014.pdf

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

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

Delaware 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/delaware>

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, and second-parent adoptions are approved in lower courts in Delaware: <http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/delaware>

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

Delaware state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation and gender identity: <http://www.stopbullying.gov/laws/delaware.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>

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:

<http://www.caringinfo.org/files/public/ad/Delaware.pdf>

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

Delaware 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

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

Delaware Fair Housing Law bans housing discrimination on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity. See the Delaware Division of Human Relations for more information or for enforcement:

<http://statehumanrelations.delaware.gov/index.shtml>

ID Documents

Changing Information on Drivers License: [Name](#) and [gender](#).

Legal Name Change Procedures: <http://courts.delaware.gov/help/changename/>

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://www.dhss.delaware.gov/dph/ss/vitalstats.html>

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!

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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

American Bar Association: Home Front

http://www.americanbar.org/portals/public_resources/aba_home_front.html

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<http://girightshotline.org/>

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<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>

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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:
<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-sexcouple/>

Taxes

Tax, Estate Planning, Benefits Opportunities After Supreme Court's Same-Sex Marriage Decision: <http://www.forbes.com/sites/ashleaebeling/2015/06/26/tax-estate-planning-benefits-opportunities-after-supreme-courts-obergefell-gay-rights-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: <http://www.irs.gov/uac/Newsroom/Treasury-and-IRS-Announce-That-All-Legal-Same-Sex-Marriages-Will-Be-Recognized-For-Federal-Tax-Purposes%3B-Ruling-Provides-Certainty,-Benefits-and-Protections-Under-Federal-Tax-Law-for-Same-Sex-Married-Couples>

Travel

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

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District of Columbia

Advocates and Allies

Legal Aid Society of the District of Columbia
<http://www.legalaiddc.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
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Northwest Network (Based in WA, provides referrals and resources nationwide)
<http://nwnetwork.org/>

Employment

Washington, D.C. 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/washington-dc>

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 adult or couple may adopt, and second-parent adoptions are routinely granted in Washington, DC: <http://www.jenniferfairfax.com/second-parent-adoption>

Conversion therapy is banned for minors in Washington DC:
http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Washington D.C. law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation and gender identity:

<http://www.stopbullying.gov/laws/district-columbia.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>

Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights

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Know Your Rights: Transgender Parenting

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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>

Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:

<http://www.caringinfo.org/files/public/ad/DistrictofColumbia.pdf>

Financial Instruments

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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

D.C. 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

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Health Care

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

Housing

Washington DC Fair Housing Law bans housing discrimination on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity/expression. See the District of Columbia Office of Human Rights for more information or for enforcement: <http://ohr.dc.gov/fairhousing>

ID Documents

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: <http://doh.dc.gov/node/924462>

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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Public Services and Facilities

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<https://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=12lgbtfinalrule.pdf>

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

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Taxes

Tax, Estate Planning, Benefits Opportunities After Supreme Court's Same-Sex Marriage Decision: <http://www.forbes.com/sites/ashleaebeling/2015/06/26/tax-estate-planning-benefits-opportunities-after-supreme-courts-obergefell-gay-rights-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: <http://www.irs.gov/uac/Newsroom/Treasury-and-IRS-Announce-That-All-Legal-Same-Sex-Marriages-Will-Be-Recognized-For-Federal-Tax-Purposes%3B-Ruling-Provides-Certainty,-Benefits-and-Protections-Under-Federal-Tax-Law-for-Same-Sex-Married-Couples>

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Florida

Advocates and Allies

Florida Legal Services

<http://www.floridalegal.org/>

Domestic Violence

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1-800-787-3224 (TTY)

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Employment

Currently, Florida state law 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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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, and some second-parent adoptions are granted in limited jurisdictions in Florida: <http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/florida>

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Florida:

http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Currently, Florida state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:

<http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/florida>

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Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:

<http://www.caringinfo.org/files/public/ad/Florida.pdf>

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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:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp/LGBT_Housing_Discrimination

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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Legal Name Change Procedure:

<http://www.flcourts.org/core/fileparse.php/293/urlt/982a.pdf>

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://www.transgenderlaw.org/resources/floridakit.pdf>

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

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<http://www.immigrantjustice.org/programs/lgbt-immigrant-rights-initiative>

Southern Poverty Law Center Immigrant Justice Project

<https://www.splcenter.org/issues/immigrant-justice>

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http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_op/LGBT_Housing_Discrimination

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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Housing

Iowa Fair Housing Law bans housing discrimination on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity/expression. See the Iowa Civil Rights Commission for more information or for enforcement: <https://icrc.iowa.gov/your-rights/protected-classes>

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Changing Information on Drivers License:

<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

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<https://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=12lgbtfinalrule.pdf>

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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>

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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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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).

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

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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>

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

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Currently, Louisiana state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:

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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:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp/LGBT_Housing_Discrimination

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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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>

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Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights
<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 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>

Know Your Rights: Bullying

<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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Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights

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Know Your Rights: Transgender Parenting

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Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:

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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.

http://www.hrc.org/state_maps

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

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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>

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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>

Immigration

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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

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>

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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 Important Information for Same-Sex Couples

<http://www.ssa.gov/people/same-sex-couples/>

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Tax, Estate Planning, Benefits Opportunities After Supreme Court's Same-Sex Marriage Decision: <http://www.forbes.com/sites/ashleaebeling/2015/06/26/tax-estate-planning-benefits-opportunities-after-supreme-courts-obergefell-gay-rights-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: <http://www.irs.gov/uac/Newsroom/Treasury-and-IRS-Announce-That-All-Legal-Same-Sex-Marriages-Will-Be-Recognized-For-Federal-Tax-Purposes%3B-Ruling-Provides-Certainty,-Benefits-and-Protections-Under-Federal-Tax-Law-for-Same-Sex-Married-Couples>

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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:
http://transequality.org/sites/default/files/docs/resources/VotingWhileTrans_Checklist_FINAL_Oct2014.pdf

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

Massachusetts

Advocates and Allies

Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation

<http://www.mlac.org/>

MassLegalHelp

<http://www.masslegalhelp.org/>

Domestic Violence

Casa Myrna

<http://www.casamyrna.org/>

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

<http://www.glbtdvp.org/>

HAWC: Healing Abuse, Working for Change

<http://hawcdv.org/>

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence

<http://www.ncadv.org/>

National Domestic Violence Hotline

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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/>

Victim Rights Law Center

<http://www.victimrights.org/>

Voices Against Violence

<http://www.smoc.org/voices-against-violence.php>

In most cases, domestic violence laws apply to people in same-sex partnerships:
<http://www.glad.org/rights/massachusetts/c/family-law-in-massachusetts>

Employment

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Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights
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Massachusetts' anti-discrimination law prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity or expression and HIV status. See GLAD's information on employment protections: <http://www.glad.org/rights/massachusetts/c/anti-discrimination-law-in-massachusetts>

Families

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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:
<http://www.glad.org/rights/massachusetts/c/family-law-in-massachusetts>

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<http://www.caringinfo.org/files/public/ad/Massachusetts.pdf>

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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/massachusetts/c/hate-crimes-sex-laws-and-police-in-massachusetts>

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Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:
<http://www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dph/programs/admin/dmoa/vitals/amendments-corrections-and-delayed-records.html>

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

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

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

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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>

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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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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.

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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:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp/LGBT_Housing_Discrimination

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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Housing

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http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp/LGBT_Housing_Discrimination

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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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

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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.mo.gov/data/vitalrecords/correcting.php>

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Montana

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Montana Legal Services Association

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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>

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, and second-parent adoptions are allowed in Montana: <http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/montana>

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Montana:

http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Currently, Montana does not have a state law prohibiting bullying in public schools:
<http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/montana>

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

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

Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:
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Any adult may adopt, but second-parent adoptions are currently not permitted in Nebraska: <http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/nebraska>

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Currently, Nebraska state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:

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<http://www.legalaidofnebraska.org/node/962/immigration-legal-services>

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<http://www.legalaidofnebraska.org/node/533/migrant-project>

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

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

<http://www.glad.org/rights/newhampshire/c/family-law-in-new-hampshire>

Employment

Know Your Rights: LGBT Employees & Employees with HIV

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

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights

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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: <http://www.glad.org/rights/newhampshire/c/anti-discrimination-law-in-new-hampshire>

Families

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Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in New Hampshire:

http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

New Hampshire specifically recognizes that pupils who are or are perceived to be gay, lesbian or transgender are one of the groups that have historically been targeted for bullying. See GLAD's information on student rights and protections:

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

Single gay people can adopt in New Hampshire; same-sex couples can jointly become the legal parents of a child although in some cases that may require being married. See GLAD's information on rights and protections:

<http://www.glad.org/rights/newhampshire/c/family-law-in-new-hampshire>

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Advocates and Allies

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<http://issuu.com/lgbtagingcenter/docs/lambda-legal---new-york-state-nursing-homes>

Medicaid Regulations in New York

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Hofstra Law Asylum Clinic

<http://law.hofstra.edu/clinics/politicalasylumclinic/>

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Low Cost Immigration Service Providers

[http://www.thenycic.org/sites/default/files/Low Cost Immigration Service Providers Final Draft 6.15.15 0.pdf](http://www.thenycic.org/sites/default/files/Low%20Cost%20Immigration%20Service%20Providers%20Final%20Draft%206.15.15%200.pdf)

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http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

North Carolina state law prohibits bullying in public schools, and specifically mentions sexual orientation and gender identity:

<http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/north-carolina>

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

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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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Currently, North Dakota 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-dakota>

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

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Advocates and Allies

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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.lambdalegal.org/know-your-rights/workplace>

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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 or married couple may adopt, but second-parent adoptions are not yet approved in Oklahoma: <http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/oklahoma>

Conversion therapy is not currently banned for minors in Oklahoma:

http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

Currently, Oklahoma state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:

<http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/oklahoma>

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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>

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Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights

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

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Know Your Rights: Updating School Records

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

Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:

<http://www.caringinfo.org/files/public/ad/Oklahoma.pdf>

Financial Instruments

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Assets in Life

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

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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

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<http://healthcarebillofrights.org/>

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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:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp/LGBT_Housing_Discrimination

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://www.dps.state.ok.us/dls/>

Legal Name Change Procedure: [Instructions](#) and [list of district courts](#).

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Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate:

http://www.ok.gov/health/Birth_and_Death_Certificates/Certificate_Amendments/index.html

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

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

<http://nwnetwork.org/>

Victim Rights Law Center

<http://www.victimrights.org/>

Employment

Oregon 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/oregon>

Know Your Rights: LGBT Employees & Employees with HIV

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

Know Your Rights: Transgender Workplace Rights

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Families

ACLU information and advocacy on LGBT students' legal rights and protections:

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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>

Conversion therapy is banned for minors in Oregon:

http://www.lgbtmap.org/equality-maps/conversion_therapy

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

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

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Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:

<http://www.caringinfo.org/files/public/ad/Oregon.pdf>

SMYRC: Sexual & Gender Minority Youth Resource Center
<http://www.smyrc.org/>

Financial Instruments

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

Housing

Oregon Fair Housing Law bans housing discrimination on the bases of sexual orientation and gender identity/expression. See the Oregon Bureau of Labor & Industries for more information or for enforcement: <http://www.oregon.gov/BOLI/CRD/pages/index.aspx>

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

<http://issuu.com/lgbtagingcenter/docs/2015-housing-brochure-online-versio?e=2766558/11578245>

ID Documents

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Pennsylvania

Advocates and Allies

AIDS Law Project of Pennsylvania

<http://www.aidslawpa.org/>

LGBT Elder Initiative Resource Guides

<http://lgbteiresources.blogspot.com/>

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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:

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Rhode Island

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<http://www.helprilaw.org/>

Rhode Island Legal Services Senior Citizens Program

http://www.dea.ri.gov/programs/legal_assist.php

TGI Network of RI

<http://www.tginetwork.org/>

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Domestic violence laws apply to same-sex spouses and some other same-sex relationships: <http://www.glad.org/rights/rhodeisland/c/family-law-in-rhode-island>

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Rhode Island's anti-discrimination law prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status and gender identity or expression. See GLAD's information on employment protections: <http://www.glad.org/rights/rhodeisland/c/anti-discrimination-law-in-rhode-island>

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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:

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<http://www.txdps.state.tx.us/DriverLicense/changes.htm>

Legal Name Change Procedure: <http://texaslawhelp.org/resource/adult-name-change-forms-and-instructions-in-e>

Passport Name Change: For a passport [less than 1 year old](#) or for an [older passport](#).

Request to Amend Sex on a Birth Certificate: See [application here](#), but be aware that some judges have refused to issue the required court order.

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

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Americans for Immigrant Justice

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South Texas Pro Bono Asylum Representation Project

http://www.americanbar.org/groups/public_services/immigration/projects_initiatives/south_texas_pro_bono_asylum_representation_project_probar.html

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<http://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363>

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

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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

Currently, Utah state law prohibits bullying in public schools, but does not specifically mention sexual orientation or gender identity:

<http://www.lambdalegal.org/states-regions/utah>

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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>

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

Know Your Rights: Protecting Your Children

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Know Your Rights: Student Speech Rights

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

Living Will and Health Care Proxy Forms:

<http://www.caringinfo.org/files/public/ad/Utah.pdf>

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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

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<http://healthcarebillofrights.org/>

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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:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/fair_housing_equal_opp/LGBT_Housing_Discrimination

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.utcourts.gov/resources/forms/namechange/>

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

<http://www.glad.org/rights/vermont/c/family-law-in-vermont>

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

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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:

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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:

<http://www.glad.org/rights/vermont/c/family-law-in-vermont>

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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Washington

Advocates and Allies

Office of Civil Legal Aid

<http://ocla.wa.gov/contact/finding-legal-help/>

Washington Law Help

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<http://www.hum.wa.gov/FairHousing/Washington%20Fair%20Housing%20Poster.pdf>

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<http://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/BirthDeathMarriageandDivorce/GenderChange>

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