# Special Issue

# The Social and Emotional Wellbeing of LGBTQ+ Young People

## Message from the Guest Editor

More young people are identifying themselves as part of the LGBTQ+ community, sharing information within their social circles about their gender identity and sexuality. At the same time, providers of physical and mental health services are noticing that they are not as wellprepared and educated as they need to be to properly address the health and wellbeing of these young people; this may result in them falling through the cracks of the system that is meant to help assure their health and wellbeing. These young people are growing up in a world where language about and representation of their identities are increasingly prominent, which is helpful for them. At the same time, however, there is a huge cultural backlash in some countries, which is resulting in more barriers to them receiving the health and mental healthcare they require to thrive. This Special Issue aims to focus on the social and emotional wellbeing of these people in their present contexts. What are they experiencing now, and how can we, as providers of health and mental health services, help them thrive during this time of increasing precarity?

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