CHAPTER 6

Mental Health and Transphobia among Transwomen Sex Workers

Application and Extension of Minority Stress Models

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SUMMARY

The aims of this chapter are to (1) describe the literature on mental health problems and their social determinants among transwomen sex workers, including findings from a study of 573 transgender women from San Francisco with a history of sex work, and (2) examine the Gender Minority Stress Model and its applicability to transgender female sex workers. On the basis of this analysis, we suggest implications for research and for social and health service providers working with transgender female sex workers.

KEY TERMS

depressive symptoms; exposure to violence; gender minority stress; minority stress; transphobia
REFERENCES


