

## CHAPTER 22

# Issues in the Care and Treatment of Transwomen Sex Workers

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### SUMMARY

In this article, we present and discuss basic principles for the care and treatment of transgender sex workers. These individuals have typically experienced an array of difficulties and life challenges, including different forms of abuse, aspects of discrimination, and family problems, and caring for them requires a holistic understanding of these issues as they may relate to substance use and mental health issues. Better care and treatment of transgender sex workers are sorely needed, and we hope this chapter will assist practitioners in better serving this population.

### KEY TERMS

aspects of abuse; holistic and comprehensive treatment; substance use; transgender sex workers

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