

Favoriser le bien-être et l'intégration sociale de la communauté racisée LGBTQA+ de Toronto et Ottawa

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Abstract

Using community-based ethnography, this research report examines the profile of fifteen racialized LGBTQIA+ immigrants and asylum seekers in Toronto and Ottawa, including their perception of their health according to a holistic approach, their relationship with health, social and community services, and their outlook for the future. This report also includes recommendations to facilitate their access to services and their social integration, as well as to promote their well-being. This ethnographic research was conducted by Dr. Carlo Handy Chares and Laurent Francis Ngoumou thanks to a CIHR support grant for Community-Led Projects on LGBTQIA/2S Wellness through an Intersectional Lens, coordinated by FrancoQueer's Director, Arnaud Baudry. The CIHR Institute of Gender and Health (CIHR-IGH) launched a program to support community-led projects on the health and wellness of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, questioning, intersex, asexual and Two-Spirit (LGBTQIA/2S) communities. The goal of this new initiative was to provide an opportunity for community organizations with no prior research experience to obtain grant funding to help evaluate the reach, effectiveness, and benefits of community-based interventions to improve the health and wellness of LGBTQIA/2S communities.

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