

Lesbian Health Project Conducts Survey

The Lesbian Health Project of Los Angeles is conducting a national lesbian and bisexual women's health survey. Co-sponsored by lesbian and feminist health organizations around the country, the survey is the largest of its kind ever conducted.

Distributed to over 100,000 women at the 1993 March on Washington and through health organizations throughout the country, the survey is an attempt to get a clearer understanding of lesbian's true risks for cancer and other health concerns. "We have very little health data on lesbians", said Suzann Gage, RNCNP, OB/GYN nurse practitioner, director of the Lesbian Health Project of LA and coordinator of the survey. "Women health surveys never include questions about sexual orientation to see if lesbians, as a group, like other sub groups of women, may indeed be at greater risk for cancers and other health problems....we hope this study will help shed more light on actual rates of breast cancer in lesbians, as well as important directions in lesbian health education, prevention, and empowerment."

Individuals or groups wanting surveys to distribute can contact the Lesbian Health Survey at (213) 650-1508. ▼

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