

DEFAULT GROUP A

Thank you for deciding to take part in this research! Your answers will help us design a better survey for people in East Africa who identify as LGBT.

1. What are some of the challenges you face when you are trying to make healthy decisions when you play sex? We mean things like talking to your partner about using dental dams and condoms, getting HIV tests, and things like that.
2. What is something that you think would be important for us to know about being gay, lesbian or bisexual in East Africa? The more detail you can provide, the better.

OPTIONAL GROUP B

We want to be sure that the words we use in the survey are easy to understand and are respectful.

1. Do you think words like “gay”, “lesbian” or “bisexual” describe you well? Are there better words that better describe how you see yourself? Why?
2. We want to use words that people understand. What other words may be used more often than “vagina”, “penis”, and “sex toy”? What words do you use to describe sex?
3. We also want to use language in the survey that is respectful. What words are offensive to you that we should not use in the survey?

OPTIONAL GROUP C

We have some questions about what it is like to be attracted to other women. Remember that your answers are completely private. You can post safely here.

1. What does it mean to be gay, lesbian, or bisexual woman in eastern Africa? We mean things like: What society says, what your friends say, what your family says about African lesbian or bisexual women?
2. What does it mean to be heterosexual and play sex with other women in eastern Africa?
3. How do you feel when you hear people say that playing sex with women is “un-African”?
4. Who, if anyone knows, that you are sexually attracted to women?

OPTIONAL GROUP D

We have some questions about the romantic relationships you have had. Your participation is anonymous – please feel safe to post honestly.

1. How do you meet people who you might want to play sex with? How do you meet people you might want to start a romantic relationship with?
2. Describe what a healthy relationship looks like for you.
3. Describe what an **un**healthy relationship looks like.
4. Do you think same sex relationships last long term?

OPTIONAL GROUP E

The survey will include questions about how people get medical care when they need it, and your stories will help make sure that the questions ask about the right things.

1. Some African women who are attracted to women have experienced a lot of discrimination, including around their sexuality and sexual behaviours. If you have experienced discrimination, please share a story to describe what it is like for you.
2. Please talk about how choices you make are affected by concerns you might have about discrimination, or how people might treat you? I am thinking about things like: deciding not to get medical care, avoiding school or work, among other things.
3. Describe the last time you needed medical care or wanted to see someone like a nurse or a doctor. Did you go to a health centre? If so, how did the people at the clinic treat you?
4. Have you ever feared to tell a health care provider if you have played sex with a woman? If you have told a health care provider that you have played sex with or dated a woman, what reaction did you get from the health care provider?

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Thank you for answering those questions! Your answers are very helpful and will help us design a better survey.

Are you interested in answering some more questions to help us improve the survey?

- Yes, I would like to answer some more questions.
- No, I would like to end my participation.

[Ending text if a participant clicks “No” above or has cycled through all 4 question groups]

Thank you for your participation! Your answers will help us improve our survey, and we greatly appreciate your time.

Thank you!