

“The American College of Nurse-Midwives stands with and supports our LGBTQI* members, their families, and this community, not just today, but every day. We condemn the gun violence and hatred targeted toward this community in Orlando this weekend. We recognize that to be mentally and physically well, people must first feel safe, and the Orlando shooting was an attempt to rip this apart. ACNM recently released a new position statement detailing our [stance on gun violence](#).

“The attack in Orlando happened on ‘Latino/a Night.’ For many marginalized communities in the United States, including communities of color, safe spaces are diminishing and less identifiable. We must change this. We continue to work to create a safe space in the midwifery community for all our members and in the communities we proudly serve, regardless of and in support toward people’s sexuality and gender identity.”

**LGBTQI Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Intersex*