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**Professional Bio:** Deborah Corey is a fourth year doctoral student and is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist in California.

**Areas of Teaching Interest:** I have taught Research Methods and Introduction to Psychology in California at the community college and state university level.

**Areas of Research and Clinical Interest:** Reducing health disparities in the LGBTQ community, especially the transgender and gender diverse community. My dissertation is: *The Effectiveness of Gender Affirming Healthcare Training on Health Professions Students Attitudes Towards Transgender and Gender Diverse People, Knowledge of Transgender Health, and Confidence Providing Gender Affirming Healthcare*. The purpose of this mixed-methods research study is to evaluate the effectiveness of an online gender affirming healthcare training provided by Transforward, a non-profit organization, in improving healthcare students' attitudes toward transgender and gender diverse people and knowledge about transgender healthcare and gender affirming healthcare practices, in addition to increasing confidence in providing gender affirming healthcare.

**Recent Publications:** I haven't submitted my research for publication yet.

**Recent Presentations:** Corey, D., Wegwert, D., Shuler, S., & dickey, I.m. (2020, August 6). Reforming Social Institutions: Promoting Welcoming, Safe Environments for the LGBTQ Community. In Ramona N. Mellott (Chair), *Virtual Conference of the American Psychological Association [Symposium]*, Washington, DC.

Drawing from mixed-methods research results, this symposium explored options for increasing protective factors that facilitate health and well-being of LGBTQ people in healthcare settings, schools, religious organizations, and other social contexts.

Corey, D. & Wegwert, D. (2019). Supporting Health in the Transgender/Gender Nonconforming Population. Co-presented with DeAnn Wegwert, RN. at the Let's Get Better Together Conference, Phoenix, Arizona.

Based on our qualitative research project results and clinical experience, we discussed recommended improvements in education of health professionals regarding transgender and gender nonconforming identities, health needs and risks for the transgender/gender nonconforming population, and ways of providing respectful, gender-affirming healthcare.

**Professional & Leadership activities:** Commissioner at Flagstaff City Council's Commission on Diversity Awareness.

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### Professional Memberships

American Psychological Association

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