July: "No Place for People Like You" An Analysis of the Needs, Vulnerabilities, and Experiences of LGBT Syrian Refugees in Lebanon

The purpose of these reading questions are to help you think critically about the reading and its applicability to your work/industry/programming. This article provides a brief overview of some of the many issues facing people of diverse SOGIESC in recent humanitarian crises, including natural disasters and civil war. Keep these questions in mind while you read. If you can't think of any answers, that is fine! These questions are simply meant to guide you and provoke conversation within our PIP community of practice.

What (if anything) most surprised you in this article?

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In what ways, if any, do you think the issues highlighted in this article (housing, employment, VAW/SGBV services etc) may arise in your work? Think of 3 specific examples.

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Give examples from the reading of several salient trends which make LGBT Syrian refugees particularly vulnerable

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The vast majority of studies, program models, and tools that have been developed in response to SGBV are focused exclusively on female survivors. What does the reading say about how this may alienate gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals as well as lesbian and bisexual women?

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What from this reading resonates with you or makes you think more about the experiences of LGBT people in conflict or refugee situations?

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Survival sex is a reality for many people in conflict and refugee settings, and, practically speaking, impossible to prevent in our current global system. There are resources for cisgender / heterosexual women who engage in survival sex, but some studies show that there are inadequate (if any) resources for people of any/all genders who engage in survival sex. Can you think of any ways this issue could be approached?

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What are your learnings from this reading that you can use in your work practice?

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