



## **Working Effectively with Gender and Sexual Minorities**

**Sponsored by Regional Low Incidence Projects – Region 11**

**December 8, 2021.** Online registration deadline: December 6, 2021

**Metro ECSU Virtual Training  
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

**For: Minnesota K-12 Educational Interpreters**

**Workshop will be presented in American Sign Language.**

### **COST:**

**No cost for interpreters currently working within a Minnesota K-12 school district education setting.** Registration will be checked for qualified registrants. All others who are "not" a Minnesota school district interpreter and fall outside our target audience are welcome to attend for a fee of \$25.

**Workshop description:** It's critical for interpreters to understand that at times they will be requested to interpret in situations about which they may have internal conflicts. Deaf individuals who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex, asexual, or queer face numerous significant barriers in accessing education. Their academic experience is more challenging than they need to be if interpreters do not evaluate their own biases in regard to LGBTQIA+ issues in interpreting work, including respectful vocabulary.

**Presenter: Bethany Gehman** (she/her) M.Ed., Founder and owner of jooux (Deaf Sexual Wellness Center) is an AASECT certified sexuality educator, with more than a decade of experience in providing caring, contentious, thoughtful sexual health and education services and professional training for educators and interpreters. Currently the Director of the Deaf, Deafblind, & Hard of Hearing Services at the Family Tree Clinic in St. Paul, Minnesota. Through experiencing her own barriers to sexual education and healthcare, it motivated her to get her master's degree in Human Sexuality Education. Bethany strives to listen, respond, and collaborate with communities, seeking to eliminate the health disparities within the Deaf, DeafBlind, DeafDisabled, Hard of Hearing, and Late-Deafened communities. Bethany is passionate about education and access to evidence-based healthcare. By providing sexual health education for people of all ages, professional training, and promoting affirming and comprehensive sexuality education in Deaf K-12 academic programs. She is a firm believer that advocacy and education cannot happen without genuine connections and dismantling systems of oppression.

**Register online at: <http://metroecsu.myquickreg.com/register/event/>**

**Immediate confirmation will arrive at the email address submitted.** If a confirmation does not arrive, contact Gail Jankowski (email below) to confirm the registration.

**Registration Questions:** Gail Jankowski | [click here to send Gail Jankowski an email message](#)

**Program Questions:** Ann Mayes | [click here to send Ann Mayes an email message.](#)

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### **Payment and Cancellation Information**

Payment is required unless cancellation request is received at least two business days before the event. Fees must be paid within 30 days after the event date or an invoice will be issued with an additional \$10 service charge. In most cases, refunds will be given only if cancellation request is received two business days prior to the event. Send cancellation requests by email to the registration contact person.

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