

## WOMEN'S SERVICES

**If you are a woman living with HIV, your needs may be quite different from men living with HIV.**

You have a right to services that are gender-appropriate and equal to services for men living with HIV. If you are a woman and feel that your needs are being ignored by a service-provider, ask for help or a referral.

People who are transgender and living with HIV also have a right to access services that are equal to services for non-transgender people with HIV. If you are a transgender person and feel that your needs are being ignored by a service-provider, ask for help or a referral.

### **What Kinds of Services Are Available?**

*Some common service needs of women with HIV include:*

- > Childcare
- > Treatment information, particularly regarding how treatments may affect women differently than they affect men
  - > Support groups
  - > Peer support
  - > Reproductive services, including information for women with HIV who are pregnant or considering having a child
  - > Medical care, including screenings for diseases that primarily or only affect women
  - > Social services
  - > Outreach and HIV-risk reduction to females
  - > Housing, including emergency shelters
  - > Public benefits available only to women
  - > Access to clinical trials
- > Domestic violence programs

Visit [www.hivla.org](http://www.hivla.org) for the most up-to-date Women's Services listings.

**If women's services are not delivered appropriately, please contact OAPP's warmline @ (800) 260-8787.**