

Regional Health Conference

People interested in lesbian and gay health care will gather in Atlanta in April for the first Southeastern Lesbian/Gay Health Conference. Sponsored by the National Gay Health Education Foundation, this first regional conference will be held on April 20 and 21, at the Woodruff Medical Center of Emory University.

The gathering is expected to draw 300 or more health care providers, including physicians, nurses, social workers, psychologists, alcohol and drug specialists, physicians' assistants, dentists, public health workers, and health care advocates.

The goals of the conference are to identify health care needs of the gay and lesbian community, explore options for meeting these needs, and provide a forum for networking, professional development, and support among lesbian and gay health care providers.

The conference will present speakers recognized as experts in aspects of lesbian/gay health care. The keynote speaker will be Lawrence (Bopper) Deyton, M.P.H., former assistant to the Surgeon General and convener of the Gay Public Health Workers caucus of the American Public Health Association. He will focus on changes in perspectives in gay health care since the emergence of the AIDS epidemic and future considerations for practice and research during the next 25 years.

Conference organizer Caitlin Ryan says that four workshop periods have been scheduled, with a total of more than 20 workshops, focusing on such topics as lesbian/gay issues of substance abuse, AIDS, lesbian health concerns, psychotherapy with lesbian/gay clients, health care concerns of lesbians and gay men of color, aging, and professional development.

In addition representatives from the Centers for Disease Control, as well as local physicians, psychologists, social workers, and nurses will present a series of workshops on the medical and psychosocial aspects of AIDS.

Organizers hope to offer continuing education credit for nurses, physicians' assistants, physicians, and psychologists attending the sessions.

The North Carolina Lesbian and Gay Health Project is a co-sponsor of the event and will be conducting workshops on needs assessment (survey design, implementation and analysis), establishment of a health project (how men and women work together, funding, administration) using the NC Project as a model, and the social and political issues of AIDS.

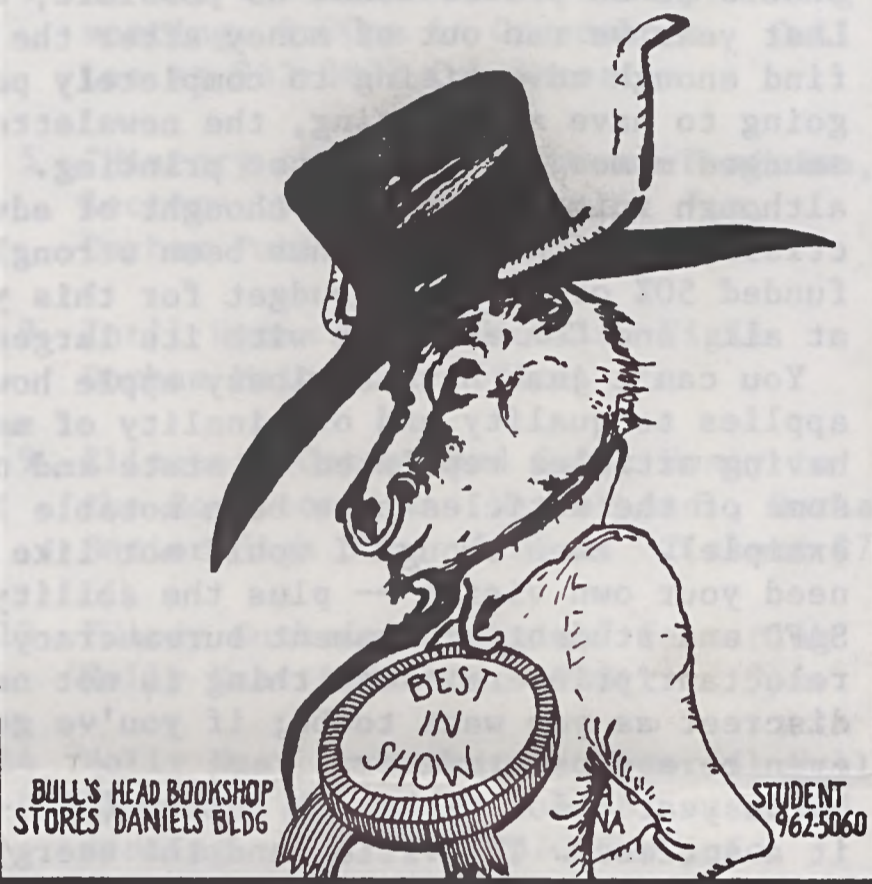
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Feb. 27, 7:30 p.m.
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People wishing to attend the conference may be able to pool transportation with local Health Project workers. Contact David at 929-9769, or write:

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Preregistration for the conference (before March 15) is \$25 and \$15 for students. Registration forms are available in the CGA office, or send us a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

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