



Position Statement

June 17, 2016

Orlando Shooting: Statement of Memorial

Sherbourne Health Centre stands in solidarity with the city of Orlando and members of our LGBTQ community who have been affected by the vicious attack on Pulse nightclub on June 12, 2016.

We mourn our brave sisters and brothers who lost their lives, and offer our condolences and friendship to those who have been wounded, survived or lost their families, friends and loved ones. Our hearts are with the people of Orlando during this very sad and difficult time.

We know that this devastating act of extremism and hate hits close to home for many friends, family and allies in our LGBTQ communities, including Sherbourne's own clients, a great many of whom are LGBTQ youth and people of colour. We strongly encourage anyone whose mental or emotional wellbeing has been affected by this terrible occurrence to please reach out to their mental health counsellor, or other health professional or help service, for personal support.

We serve people from every walk of life, every stripe on the LGBTQ spectrum, and every part of the world, and we believe that different cultures and sexual identities can and must live together harmoniously, without fear. This belief is at the very heart of how we live in our community. We look forward to sharing our support and solidarity as we come together this June during Pride month.