

# Houston Bruns Speaker Series

## Orientation to Gender Diversity and Clinical Care: Overview and Discussion

*FREE EVENT --1.5 Social Work CE's*

### February 27, 2023

6:30 - 8:00pm



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This introductory lecture will cover a broad overview of trans and gender diverse populations, highlighting minority stress outcomes, health inequities, and barriers to care. Information will include basic terminology, an overview of gender identity development, suggestions for sensitive and responsive interactions in clinical care, and recommendations for reframing common clinical assumptions that impede care. Many of today's students and clinicians already have a wealth of information about trans and gender diverse populations.\* Several have no information on gender diverse populations or considerations for effective care. The lecture will contain information across these knowledge differences with preference given to providing those with the least knowledge the most clinically useful content. There will be time at the end of the lecture to discuss one or two cases and to answer a few questions. \*Note: I acknowledge that some of the people who attend this lecture may themselves identify as part of the 2S-TGD communities.



Dr. Ruben Hopwood, PhD, MDiv is a licensed psychologist with over 16 years experience working with and for gender diverse communities in clinical work and through professional education and training of medical and mental health professionals nationally. He is the Founder and Director of the Cambridge, Massachusetts firm, Hopwood Counseling & Consulting, as well as a Visiting Researcher at The Danielsen Institute at Boston University. Dr. Hopwood is a nationally known speaker, educator, and a published author on mental health and medical care of gender diverse people; aging and gender diversity, and on integrating spirituality into psychotherapy.