

HOMOPHOBIA:

A Feeling Behavior that is characterized by fear, prejudice, and even hatred against lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning persons. Homophobia can often be what is at the root of violence, harassment, and hate crimes committed against LGBTQ persons.

HETEROSEXISM

The Total Behavior characterized by a chauvinistic attitude which maintains that normal persons are heterosexual and any persons other than heterosexual are thought to be sick, flawed, diseased, dysfunctional, perverted. In this scenario, being heterosexual is the only acceptable way to be, and society at large sends that message in many arenas.