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Conclusion: “Compared with non-LGBT women, LGBT women were more likely to report harassment and feeling unwelcome at VHA. Some LGBT women reported delaying or missing needed care, primarily due to concerns about interacting with other veterans. Additional work is necessary to help LGBT women veterans feel safe and welcome at VHA facilities.…”

Based on phone surveys with 1,391 women Veterans (1,201 identifying as non-LGBT, and 190 as LGBT) in 2015. From “Experiences in the Veterans Health Administration and Impact on Healthcare Utilization: Comparisons Between LGBT and Non-LGBT Women Veterans,” LGBT Health, online July 1, 2018. Infographic by VA Research Communications, July 2018. Photo: © iStock/DanielBendjy