Mayor’s Office of Housing and Community Development Guidelines on the Collection of Data on Sex and Gender and Sexual Orientation

Sex and Gender

What is your gender? (Check one that best describes your current gender identity.)

(1) Female
(2) Male
(3) Genderqueer/Gender Non-binary
(4) Trans Female
(5) Trans Male
(6) Not listed. Please specify: ________________________________

[Survey forms would include options 1-6. Coding should also allow for options 7 and 8]

(7) Declined/Not Stated
(8) Question Not Asked

Sexual Orientation

How do you describe your sexual orientation or sexual identity? (Check one)

(1) Bisexual
(2) Gay /Lesbian/Same-Gender Loving
(3) Questioning /Unsure
(4) Straight/Heterosexual
(5) Not listed. Please specify: ________________________________
(6) Decline to Answer

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(7) Not Stated
(8) Question Not Asked

For Service Rendering: Pronouns and Chosen Name

1) What gender pronouns do you use? ____________________________

(1) She/Her/Hers
(2) He/Him/His
(3) They/Them/Theirs
(4) Not listed. Please specify: ________________________________

2) By what name do you wish to be called? ______________________
Sex and Gender Definitions:

(1) **Female** - the behavioral, cultural, biological, or psychological traits typically associated with females.
(2) **Male** - the behavioral, cultural, biological, or psychological traits typically associated with males.
(3) **Genderqueer/Gender Non-binary** - two of many reclaimed gender identities among persons who do not subscribe to conventional gender distinctions; may feel their gender as neither, both, or some fluctuating combination of male/masculine and female/feminine genders.
(4) **Trans Female** - transgender women, transfeminine, or transwomen, sometimes referred to ‘male-to-female or MTFs
(5) **Trans Male** - transgender men, transmasculine, or transmen, sometimes referred to as female-to-male or FTMs
(6) **If not listed, please specify** - this category provides options for people to state their specific transgender identity (or identities), as well as an “additional category” which will help clarify the many possible transgender identities.
(7) **Declined/Not Stated** - this category allows the provider to mark “Declined/Not Stated” if the individual did not indicate a sex or gender identity.
(8) **Question Not Asked** - this category allows the provider to mark ‘Question Not Asked’ if the sex or gender question was not asked.