

HOW TO BE AN ALLY TO THE INTERSEX COMMUNITY

1. Recognize our political priorities!

- End unnecessary & unconsented medical interventions to make our bodies appear more typically female or male.
- End infanticide, selective abortion, genetic de-selection & honour killings.
- End discrimination in sports.
- Grant access to truth and reparations.

2. Take leadership from intersex people, our international community consensus statements & intersex-led organizations.

3. Respect the diversity of intersex people. We have many different kinds of bodies, many different sexual orientations, gender identities & gender expressions.

4. Don't assume that all of us belong to a 3rd sex/gender. Some of us do identify with legal sex assignment at birth & some of us don't!

5. Measure our inclusion by the intersex issues that you raise! Don't assume we're included when you talk about sexuality & gender identity, or about LGBT+ issues.

6. Don't use intersex to prove a theory about sex and gender. Don't expect intersex people to dismantle a gender binary.

7. Don't assume you can identify us by our gender presentation. Don't assume we look different from endosex (non-intersex) people at all.

8. Do not consider intersex people and issues to be included just because the "I" is included in the acronym.

9. Support the intersex movement in getting funded, and stop expecting intersex activists and experts to work for free. Recognize intersex expertise.

10. Hire intersex people!