Disaggregating the Data for Bisexual People

General and Specific Comments

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General Comments

Purpose of disaggregating
- Discover mechanisms of action (**Theory** development)
- Theory testing
- Discover meaningful sub-group effects (size of the effect relative to the main effect is important)

What is the basis for defining a sub-group?
- Empirical?
- Sociopolitical?
- Self-definitional (e.g., buzzfeed survey)?
- Limits (relative to policy implications)?

Risks in disaggregating
- Misunderstandings of cause and effect.

Policy utilization of disaggregated data research
- In health services research one benchmark against a standard outcome is cost effectiveness (of an intervention)
- What is the benchmark in determining the meaningfulness of a disaggregation?

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Specific comments

Bi+ in the original survey is self-defined and self-reported

– Male or female dominant family role (related to caregiving)? Bi-curious?

Sample size (135/1864) is too small to draw any meaningful conclusions. Effect size?

Bi+ individuals have poorer outcomes but experience less discrimination. Theory?

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