

Secondary Wounding, 2024 Sam Avery

Description

Secondary wounding can affect anyone, but this zine particularly addresses those in the LGBT+ community who find that the systems designed to protect us don't always extend to queer bodies. This term encompasses the emotions one can experience throughout this disconnect–confusion, pain, fear, and shame - and the relationship to our societal institutions that perpetuate a lack of communal care as well as the medicalization and pathologization of queer and transgender bodies. It highlights how the universal queer experience is intertwined with the replication of ideas, the production and maintenance of fear, and the learning of queerphobia through hegemonic socialization processes.