

From the Editor of *Sexuality and Disability*: Is the Definition of Sexuality and Disability Changing to be More Inclusive or Are We Correcting a Bias of Exclusion?

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The question of whether the definition of sexuality and disability is changing to be more inclusive or are we correcting a bias of exclusion is an important one. Knowing where we are going and how to get there, relies on the candid understanding of where we are coming from, how we started there, what has maintained us and what has allowed for change and growth. Also critical is the thoughtful and continued vigilant monitoring of who and what gets excluded and who or what gets included ... and why. These are just some of the exciting dynamics to keep in mind as we go forward together.

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