



Parents are now
concerned about
bringing their children
to a pediatrician.

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Parents are concerned that doctors will promote “gender transition” to their children, and for good reason. Despite no credible evidence to support these damaging interventions – puberty blockers, hormones, and surgeries – and plenty of reason for extreme caution, the AAP still advocates for the “gender affirming care” medical pathway.

Most pediatricians assume that...

- There’s a rigorous, standardized assessment and a careful, evidence-based protocol to ensure children are appropriately treated. **There isn’t.**
- Children who adopt a gender identity are uniquely wise and can comprehend the consequences of masculinization or feminization and the impact of cosmetic mastectomy, and can consent to procedures that result in sexual dysfunction or sterilization. **They aren’t and they can’t.**
- There’s worldwide consensus among clinicians that the medical model is sound. **There isn’t.**
- The interventions are largely safe and/or fully reversible, and that patients show significant mental health improvement. **They aren’t and they don’t.**
- Long-term patient outcomes are being tracked and that regret is rare. **They aren’t and it’s not.**
- Gender-affirming care reduces suicide and that suicide is common in the cohort seeking these interventions. **It doesn’t and it isn’t.**

Your patients and their families depend on your advice. Learn more about the evidence base for “gender affirming care” before you encourage social transition or refer your patients to a gender clinic, at di-ag.org/physicians.

