

## WHO IS DIAG?

**Democrats for an Informed Approach to Gender (DIAG)** is a grassroots organization of liberal voters who know gender ideology and the "gender-affirming care" model are in direct opposition to core liberal values: protecting children and vulnerable adults from harm, upholding the rights of women and girls, following the scientific method, and promoting freedom of speech and thought.

DIAG is building a coalition of Democrats who are ready to challenge our party's willful ignorance and silence regarding the known harms of sex trait modification in response to gender distress. We advocate for open, honest discussion untethered to divisive, tribal politics.

## **DIAG KNOWS...**

- **Biological sex is immutable.** No mammals can change sex, and claims that medical interventions can accomplish this are false.
- Medical interventions for gender distress are largely irreversible and introduce illness into healthy bodies without evidence of benefit or safety.
- There is no mechanism to determine who will be harmed by "affirmative care" vs. who, if anyone, will be helped long-term.
- The rush to medically and surgically modify the sex traits of distressed people represents an adherence to outdated and regressive gender stereotypes.
- The World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH) author of the guidelines "affirmative care" clinicians follow has been discredited. This organization repeatedly and knowingly deviates from accepted medical ethics and, by its own admission, is aware of the irreversible harm done to children and vulnerable adults.
- The National Health Service (NHS) England no longer prescribes puberty blockers as an intervention for gender distress citing the lack of evidence of benefit and high risk of harm.
- Placing men in women's prisons endangers the safety and violates the privacy of incarcerated women.
- Allowing men and boys to compete in women's and girls' sports is unfair and dangerous.

## DIAG'S GOALS

- Restore the liberal values of open dialogue and evidence-based medical care.
- Demonstrate that countless Democrats are critical of medical interventions for gender distress, and that these criticisms are based on child safeguarding and science, not bigotry and ignorance.
- Increase our Democratic representatives' understanding of gender ideology to shift their support away from experimental medical intervention toward exploratory therapy.
- Uphold the rights of women and girls by protecting female spaces, sports, honors and opportunities.
- Develop a public health campaign to reach target audiences, providing evidence-based information about "gender-affirming care."

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