Provider Resources for the Care of Transgender, Non-binary, and Gender Diverse (TGD) Patients

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World Professional Association of Transgender Health (WPATH)

Standards of Care Version 8

A helpful resource for all recommendations about all aspects of care for TGD-identified patients.

Link: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IME-N j9gpo6Qf lsDo c9XgT9QSi0To/view?usp=share link

UCSF Guidelines for the Primary and Gender-Affirming Care of Transgender and Gender Nonbinary People

An evidence-based, hyperlinked comprehensive guide to primary care for TGD-identified patients.

Link: http://transhealth.ucsf.edu/protocols

Callen-Lorde Hormone Protocols:

A step-by-step guide to prescribing hormones for TGD-identified individuals.

Link: http://callen-lorde.org/transhealth/

(link to download the protocol is halfway down the page)

Hembree, et al. Endocrine Treatment of Gender-Dysphoric/Gender-Incongruent Persons: An Endocrine Society* Clinical Practice Guideline, The Journal of Clinical Endocrinology & Metabolism, Volume 102, Issue 11, 1 November 2017, Pages 3869–3903, https://doi.org/10.1210/jc.2017-01658
Updated guidelines from the Endocrine Society (among other organizations).

Link: https://academic.oup.com/jcem/article/102/11/3869/4157558

Contraception for Transmasculine People:

Krempasky C, Harris M, Abern L, Grimstad F. Contraception across the transmasculine spectrum. American journal of obstetrics and gynecology. 2020;222(2):134-143.

https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ajog.2019.07.043

Information about contraception in people who have Muellerian anatomy, and a good gide for gender-inclusive language.

Link: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1INDIsp1N9q1Y0tL8RAKPMguvSStGOKS7/view?usp=share_link

LGBTQ Terminology

KEY TERMS

- LGBTQ: an acronym used to refer to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, & questioning individuals
- **Lesbian:** a term for women who are sexually and affectionately attracted to other women; some women prefer to be called "gay" rather than "lesbian"
- **Gay:** a term for men who are sexually and affectionately attracted to other men; has largely replaced "homosexual"
- Bisexual: a term for an individual sexually and affectionately attracted to the same and other genders, though not necessarily to the same degree
- Transgender: an umbrella term for people whose gender identity and/or expression does not align with the sex they were assigned at birth
- Queer: originally a pejorative term referring to LGBTQIA people; now being reclaimed by some
 as a self-affirming umbrella term for the LGBTQIA community or a term used to describe anyone
 who does not fit into societal norms of gender and sexuality
- Questioning: a term for a person who is unsure of their sexual orientation and/or gender identity

KEY CONCEPTS

- **Biological sex:** a category determined by a combination of chromosomes, hormones, secondary sex characteristics, external/internal sex organs, gonads, and/or genitals; exists on a spectrum
- Gender expression: the way in which one presents their gender, or in which that gender is
 perceived by society; is not always representative of a person's gender identity or biological sex
 assigned at birth; exists on a spectrum
- Gender identity: an individual's emotional and psychological sense of gender; not necessarily
 the same as the biological sex assigned at birth or a person's gender expression; exists on a
 spectrum
- Gender pronouns: words used in place of proper nouns, including she/her/hers and he/him/his; some individuals use gender-neutral pronouns such as the singular they/them/their or zie/hir, while some do not use pronouns at all

OTHER TERMS TO NOTE

- **Cisgender:** a term for someone who identifies with and expresses their gender in ways that align with the sex they were assigned at birth
- Same gender loving: a term sometimes used by members of the African-American/Black community to express an alternative sexual orientation without relying on terms and symbols of European descent; sometimes abbreviated as "SGL"
- **Two-spirit:** a term used by some Native or First Nations individuals who have attributes of more than one gender; these individuals have distinct social roles in their tribes and are often involved with mystical rituals
- **Gender affirming surgery:** a surgical procedure used by some to align their internal or external sex organs with their internal gender identity; may involve a vaginoplasty/phalloplasty ("bottom surgery"), mastectomy/chest reconstruction/breast implants ("top surgery"), hysterectomy, and/or other procedures