

FACTSHEET

Trans Medicine

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Family, friends, and those in leadership need to know what is true and beneficial for the people they love. The following information is based upon an important scientific review from The Institute for Research & Evaluation.*

- Puberty blockers do not simply "buy time," they derail normal physiological and brain development, and most often lead to further steps along the medical trans pathway. Instead of medical benefits, the quantity and quality of evidence shows medical harms to children from cross-sex medicine and medical procedures. (Heart attack, osteoporosis, stroke, brain development issues, sterility are some of those risks.)
- Gender transition for minors as a suicide prevention strategy is simply not supported by research and may even increase it. The emotionally charged claim that medical risks are worth it to keep a child alive are simply not supported by the evidence. Instead of suicidality decreasing, there is better evidence of suicidality increasing.
- Social affirmation of cross sex identities paves the way to serious medical and psychological dangers. Strong research shows gender dysphoria in children usually goes away on its own by young adulthood, if "transition" is not encouraged thus avoiding the harmful effects of cross-sex medical interventions.
- Teaching that it is possible—without any scientific evidence—that a child can be born in the wrong body may have led to the massive increase in cases of transgender identity worldwide. Children and young adults can be influenced by social, educational, and cultural forces to embrace cross sex identities.
- Advocating the teaching of young school children about sexuality, homosexuality, and transgenderism—for which no research shows evidence of benefit—raises serious questions regarding the motive behind such an aggressive pursuit of early indoctrination of children. There is no scientific evidence that young children benefit from being taught about sexuality, homosexuality, or transgenderism in school nor that such teaching reduces child sex abuse.

"Compassion requires us to protect children from ideologies that lead to serious, life-long medical, and mental health challenges."