

G8: Focused Conversation: Providing Inclusive Healthcare to Gender- Diverse Students

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Agenda

- Overview/Context
- Reflection: Voices of Transgender Adolescents in Healthcare
- Deep Dive Discussion

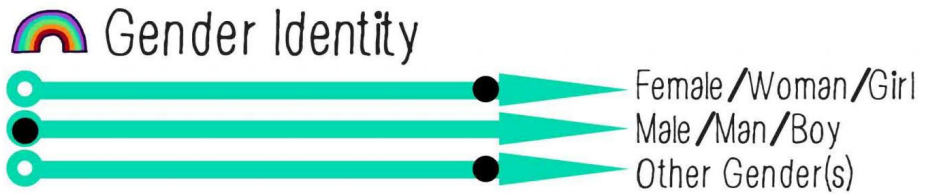
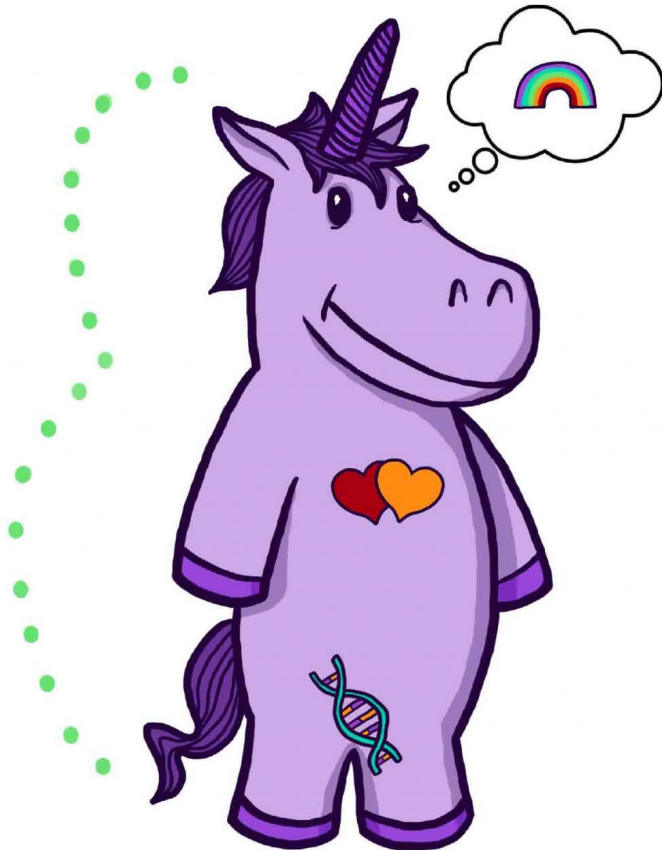
Objectives

- Describe common barriers and opportunities that impact state and local policies and practices for gender-affirming health practices
- List gender-affirming care resources



The Gender Unicorn

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To learn more, go to:
www.transstudent.org/gender

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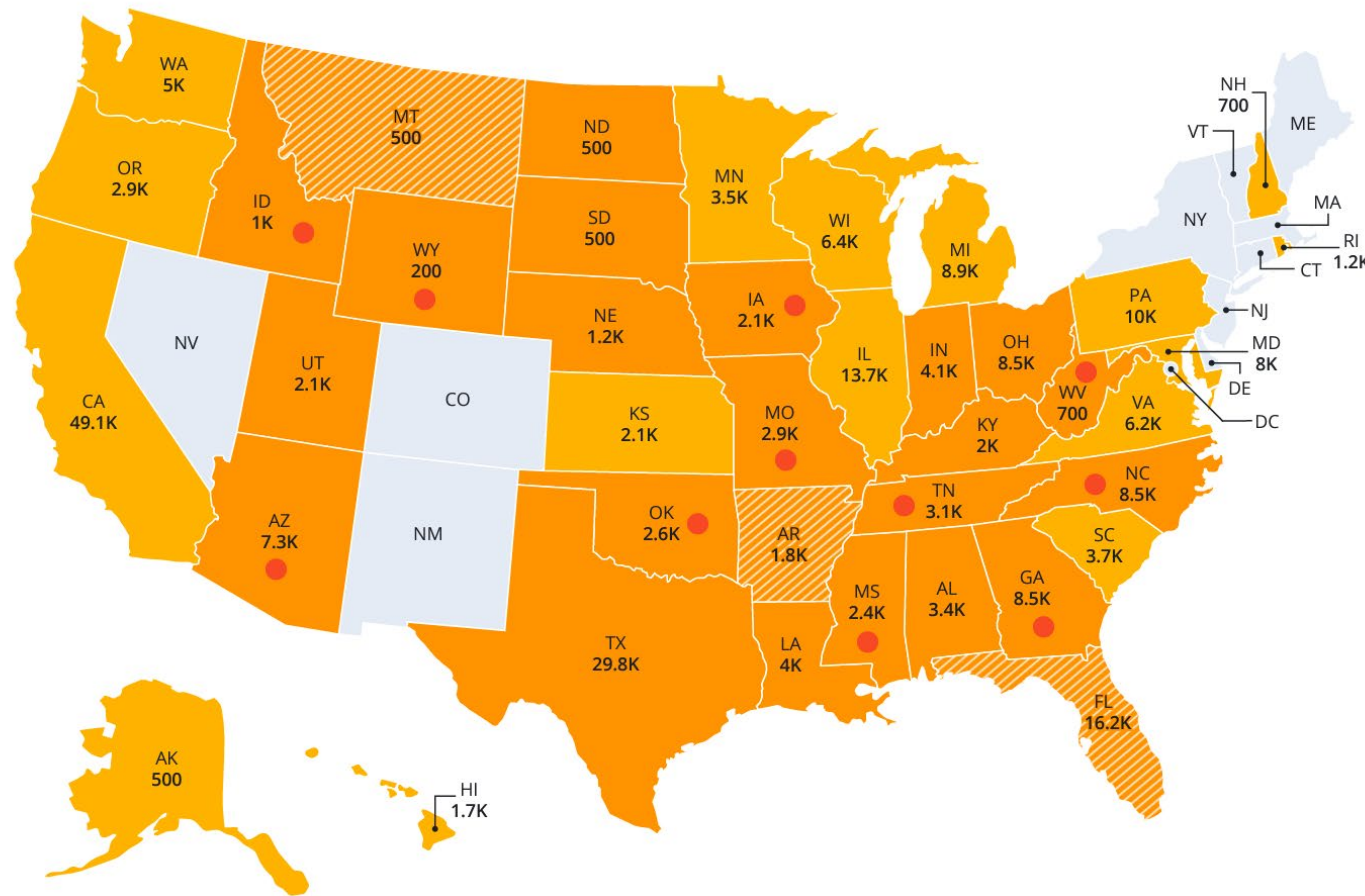
Defining Gender-Affirming Care

- Is **patient-centered** care
- Uses a **developmental** lens
- Includes **social gender affirmation**
- Requires **respectful and responsive communication**
- Models and promotes **diversity**
- Holds space for **intersectionality**
- Is **consent-based**
- Includes prevention, anticipatory guidance, and future planning

*Gender-affirmative health care can include any single or combination of a number of **social, psychological, behavioural or medical** (including hormonal treatment or surgery) interventions designed to support and affirm an individual's gender identity.*

- World Health Organization

Legislation Regarding Gender-Affirming Care



*As of April 2024.

SC has a ban as of May 2024

** Number indicates estimated number of trans youth impacted in each state



Voices of Transgender Adolescents in Healthcare



What are some barriers to providing gender-affirming care in your SBHCs or State?

Common Barriers

- Limited access or resources
- Decisions based on protocol, opinion, lack of EBM
- Structural and personal lack of education or training
- Active bias, discrimination embedded in systems
- Communities and persons invisible and denigrated
- Legal challenges for youth
- Legislative barriers to care

What are successful strategies (despite barriers) to providing gender-affirming care in your SBHCs or State?

Successful Strategies

- Staff development
 - Common terms
 - Best practices for affirming social, behavioral, and medical care
- Social strategies
 - Welcoming environments
 - Affirming, inclusive language and actions (including documentation)
- Resource awareness and referral

What resources have
you found helpful?

How can SBHA
support you at a
national level?

Resources

- National LGBTQA+ Health Education Center - Gender Affirming Care Pediatric toolkit (<https://www.lgbtqiahealtheducation.org/collection/trans-pediatric-care-toolkit/>)
- U of M Spark Training Materials: Spark: LGBTQ+ Youth Series - Adolescent Health Initiative (<https://umhs-adolescenthealth.org/>)
- The Trevor Project: <https://www.thetrevorproject.org/>
- The Human Rights Campaign: Get the Facts on Gender Affirming Care: <https://www.hrc.org/resources/get-the-facts-on-gender-affirming-care>

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