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Pro-Family Women Alarmed by Biden Administration's Encouragement of Gender-Reassignment Surgery and Hormone Treatment for Youths

Arlington, Virginia -- Pro-Family Women is alarmed that the Biden Administration is encouraging gender-reassignment surgery and hormone treatments for youth 18 years and under. The Office of Population Affairs (HHS) on March 31 released the [document](#) "Gender Affirming Care and Young People." At the same time, the National Child Traumatic Stress Network (also HHS) released the [document](#), "Gender-Affirming Care is Trauma-Informed Care." The life-changing medical treatments being proposed in these documents are portrayed as improving overall quality of life for youth experiencing gender dysphoria. However, to the contrary, they are imposing a grim future for these youth who do not have the information or maturity to make a decision that denies the reality of their biology and future fertility. These treatments often will permanently sterilize children and put them at risk for heart disease and various cancers. Transgender-identifying persons who undergo sex reassignment surgery are 19 times more likely to commit suicide.

Stories abound of adults who are regretting the damage they have done to their bodies in transgender treatments and are attempting to detransition out of the transgender lifestyle. There is even a day established as Detransition Awareness Day (March 12). However, 75-95% of children accept their biological identity when they are given appropriate individual therapy, or parents simply watch and wait until they mature.

Susan Muskett, president of Pro-Family Women said, **"Children and teenagers should not be used for medical experiments based on a lack of understanding about the need of gender-confused children to be helped in adjusting to the reality of their sexual biology which cannot be changed by surgery or hormones. A person's maleness or femaleness exists in the XX or XY chromosome in every cell in their body. Because of this, a woman needs to be medically treated differently from a man."** According to Dr. Michelle Cretella, MD, an experienced pediatrician, the social pressure for transgenderism is a dangerous attack on human nature. Dr. Paul McHugh who has studied this issue extensively reports that scientific evidence does not support the theory that there is some innate property of gender identity independent of biological sex.

Pro-Family Women is an organization that promotes the values of faithful Catholic women in proclaiming the truth about human life and the family.

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