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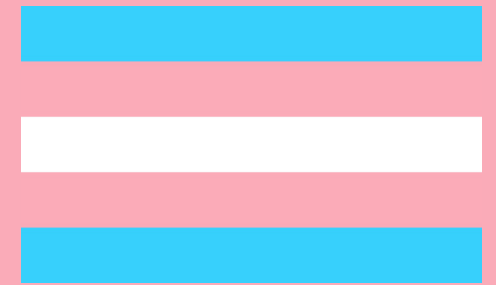
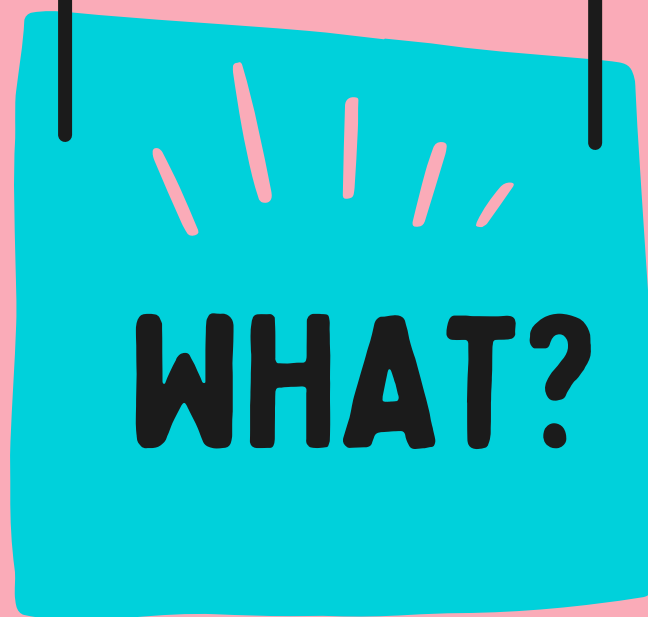
ACCESS TO GENDER-AFFIRMING HEALTHCARE FOR TRANSGENDER MINORS IN FLORIDA IS UNDER ATTACK 



**ARE YOU WONDERING
"HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?"**



**SWIPE THROUGH TO LEARN WHAT, WHEN,
WHERE, AND HOW!**



- **THE FLORIDA BOARD OF MEDICINE AND BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE PUBLISHED **PROPOSED RULES** TO ESTABLISH A NEW "STANDARD OF CARE" FOR THE TREATMENT OF GENDER DYSPHORIA IN MINORS.**
- **THESE PROPOSED RULES WOULD **RESTRICT DOCTORS' ABILITY TO PROVIDE GENDER-AFFIRMING CARE TO TRANSGENDER MINORS** IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.**
- **CLICK THE LINKS TO READ THE PROPOSED RULES THEMSELVES:**



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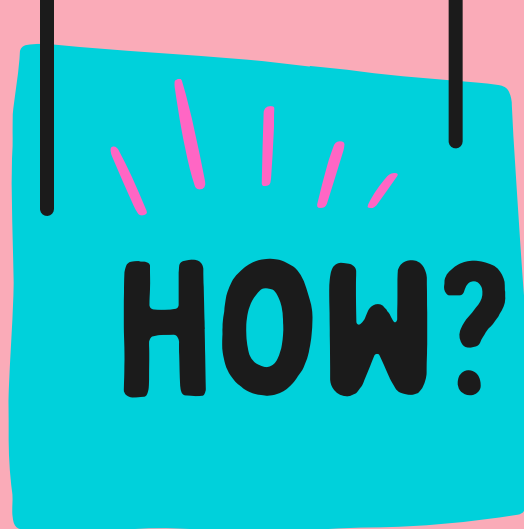




- **THE PROPOSED RULES WERE PUBLISHED ON NOVEMBER 14, 2022 IN THE FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE REGISTER**
- **THE 21-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD BEGAN ON NOVEMBER 14TH AND ENDS ON DECEMBER 5, 2022.**

YOU CAN STAND UP FOR THE RIGHTS OF TRANSGENDER YOUTH TO ACCESS SAFE, EFFECTIVE, MEDICALLY NECESSARY HEALTHCARE BY SUBMITTING A PUBLIC COMMENT OPPOSING THE PROPOSED RULES.

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD BEFORE DECEMBER 5TH!



**SUBMIT A PUBLIC COMMENT OPPOSING THE BOARDS
PROPOSED RULES BEFORE DECEMBER 5TH!**

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**YOU CAN SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS THROUGH THE
PORTAL CREATED BY OUR PARTNER ORGANIZATION,
EQUALITY FLORIDA AT: [HTTPS://BIT.LY/3U3KDTD](https://bit.ly/3U3KDTD)**



**YOU CAN ALSO SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS DIRECTLY
THROUGH THE F.A.R. PROPOSED RULE PORTALS:**



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QUICK FACTS



- **GENDER DYSPHORIA IS A SERIOUS MEDICAL CONDITION, THE DIAGNOSIS OF WHICH IS CODIFIED IN THE AMERICAN PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION'S "DSM-5"**
- **GENDER DYSPHORIA, IF LEFT UNTREATED, MAY RESULT IN DEBILITATING ANXIETY, SEVERE DEPRESSION, SELF-HARM, AND EVEN SUICIDALITY. THE LONGER A PERSON GOES WITHOUT APPROPRIATE TREATMENT FOR GENDER DYSPHORIA, THE GREATER THE RISK OF SEVERE HARM TO THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING.**
- **TREATMENT FOR GENDER DYSPHORIA IS PROVIDED PURSUANT TO WELL-ESTABLISHED GUIDELINES, DEVELOPED THROUGH DECADES OF RESEARCH AND CLINICAL PRACTICE. LIKE ALL MEDICAL CARE, TREATMENT FOR GENDER DYSPHORIA IS INDIVIDUALIZED AND BASED ON THE NEEDS OF THE PATIENT.**
- **FOR MORE THAN FOUR DECADES, MEDICAL ORGANIZATIONS HAVE STUDIED AND CREATED EVIDENCE-BASED STANDARDS FOR THE TREATMENT OF GENDER DYSPHORIA. THESE GUIDELINES ARE PUBLISHED BY THE WORLD PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR TRANSGENDER HEALTH ("WPATH") AND THE ENDOCRINE SOCIETY, AND ARE SUPPORTED BY EVERY MAJOR MEDICAL ASSOCIATION IN OUR COUNTRY.**
- **FOR MINORS WITH GENDER DYSPHORIA, THE PRECISE TREATMENTS ARE DETERMINED BY A TEAM OF MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS, INCLUDING MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE PATIENT AND THE PATIENT'S PARENTS OR GUARDIANS.**

**THE STATE SHOULD NOT STAND BETWEEN
DOCTORS, PATIENTS, & PARENTS!**