



# Trans Health Project

*Working for Transgender Equal Rights*

## New York Medicaid Regulations and Guidance

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**New York Medicaid policy covers transgender-related health care.**

**Regulations:**

[18 NYCRR 505.2 \(2016\)](#)

**Decisions:**

**Court Decision:** [Cruz v. Zucker, 195 F. Supp. 3d 554, 571 \(S.D.N.Y. 2016\), on reconsideration, 218 F. Supp. 3d 246 \(S.D.N.Y. 2016\), and appeal withdrawn, \(Dec. 30, 2016\)](#)

**Summary:**

A federal district court found that a categorical ban on medically necessary treatments for a specific diagnosis, gender dysphoria, violates the federal Medicaid Act's Availability Provision.

**Guidance and Announcements:**

**Guidance:** [New York State Department of Health, Office of Health Insurance Programs, Criteria Standards for the Authorization and Utilization Management of Hormone Therapy and Surgery for the Treatment of Gender Dysphoria](#)

**Handbooks and Provider Manuals:**

**Provider Manual:** [NYS Medicaid Physician Procedure Codes - Surgery](#)

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