American Academy of Family Physicians

About the organization:

Founded in 1947, the American Academy of Family Physicians represents 136,700 physicians and medical students nationwide. It is the only medical society devoted solely to primary care.

Statements:

• **Policy: Discrimination, Patient**

  "The AAFP opposes all discrimination in any form, including but not limited to, on the basis of actual or perceived race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnic affiliation, health, age, disability, economic status, body habitus or national origin."

  Date: 2019

• **Coverage Equity for Drugs, Testing, Procedure, Preventive Services, and Reproductive Technologies**

  "Employers and health plans should not discriminate by the patient's birth gender, sexual orientation, or marital status in the provision of health care benefits including a) prescription drugs and devices, b) elective sterilization procedures, c) diagnostic testing, d) medically indicated surgical procedures, and e) assisted reproductive technologies. These benefits should be covered under the same terms and conditions as other prescription drugs, devices, elective surgeries, diagnostic testing, and medically indicated surgical procedures.

  Coverage should include medically appropriate services for individuals requiring transition or transgender care as determined by best practice standards, the patient, and the attending physician. Further, this coverage should extend to the medically-appropriate, sex-specific recommended preventive services determined appropriate by the patient's primary care physician."

  Date: 2018

• **AAFP Reaffirms Antidiscrimination Policy with Vote on Transgender Equality**

  Date: 2009

• **Summary of Actions: 2009 National Conference of Special Constituencies, Resolution No. 9**

  Date: 2009


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