

Trans Health Project

Working for Transgender Equal Rights

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

About the organization:

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists is the nation's leading group of professionals providing health care for women.

Statements:

• <u>Committee Opinion No. 512: Health Care for Transgender Individuals, 118 Obstet Gynecol 1454</u> (2011).

"Within the medical community, transgender individuals face significant barriers to health care. This includes the failure of most health insurance plans to cover the cost of mental health services, cross-sex hormone therapy, or gender affirmation surgery. This barrier exists despite evidence that such treatments are safe and effective and that cross-gender behavior and gender identity issues are not an issue of choice for the individual and cannot be reversed with psychiatric treatment."

"The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, therefore, urges public and private health insurance plans to cover the treatment of gender identity disorder."

Date: 2011

<u>Committee Opinion No. 685: Care for Transgender Adolescents</u>

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, *Committee Opinion No. 685: Care for transgender adolescents*, 129 Obstet Gynecol e11 (2017).

Date: 2017

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