

Trans Health Project

Working for Transgender Equal Rights

GLMA: Health Professionals Advancing LGBTQ Equality

About the organization:

GLMA is a national organization committed to ensuring health equity for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer (LGBTQ) and all sexual and gender minority (SGM) individuals, and equality for LGBTQ/SGM health professionals in their work and learning environments. To achieve this mission, GLMA utilizes the scientific expertise of its diverse multidisciplinary membership to inform and drive advocacy, education, and research.

Statements:

GLMA 127-18-101: Transgender Healthcare

"Therapeutic treatment, including hormone therapy, mental health therapy and gender affirming surgeries, are medically necessary for the treatment of gender dysphoria. These gender-affirming medical and surgical treatments should be covered by all public and private insurance plans."

Date: 2018

• Health Insurance Coverage for Gender-Affirming Care of Transgender Patients

"GLMA: Health Professionals Advancing LGBTQ Equality recognizes that mental healthcare, hormone replacement therapy, and/or gender-affirming surgery are medically necessary for the treatment of transgender people who meet the criteria for gender dysphoria and advocates that these services not be excluded from any public or private insurance programs."

Date: 2018

<u>Amicus Brief to Call for VA Support of Surgical Treatment for Transgender Veterans with Gender</u> <u>Dysphoria</u>

GLMA joined an amicus brief in *Fulcher v. Secretary of Veterans Affairs*, which challenged the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' refusal to engage in rulemaking to reconsider its ban on providing transgender-related surgery to veterans.

Date: 2017

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