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USPATH Board Responds to Federal Effort to Redefine Sex/Gender

The United States Professional Association for Transgender Health (USPATH) Board of Directors expresses its strongest disagreement with the intention of the Trump administration to define human gender/sex as the sex recorded at birth based on visible genital formation. It has been known for decades that sex determination does not always correlate with birth anatomy or with chromosomes. More recently, the biological basis of gender identity has become better understood within the mainstream medical and scientific communities.

As medical providers, we recognize that limiting equal protection with resulting discrimination in employment, housing, education, and/or public accommodation can have profound negative health impact. Further, the targeting of individuals or groups to deny medically indicated care represents a violation of the professional oaths taken by us in the medical provider community.

USPATH member medical professionals and researchers stand ready to testify before Congress to protect and defend the health and well-being of all transgender and gender-nonconforming people.

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