



Eagle Council 50

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4:00 pm

Speaker: Cretella, MD Michelle– Dr. Michelle Cretella is a Catholic pediatrician who serves on the Advisory board of Advocates Protecting Children and is the past Executive Director of the American College of Pediatricians. She is also the mother of four children between the ages of 17 and 24.

Title: *Born in the Right Body*

Summary Points, Links & Action Steps:

1) Do people with intersex conditions prove there are more than 2 sexes?

1. NO! Sex is binary because it is defined by an organism's role in reproduction. Males are the donors of genetic material & females are the recipients of genetic material during the reproductive act.
2. Sex is a genetic trait determined at conception that cannot be changed by drugs or surgery.
3. Intersex conditions are disorders of sex development (DSD) – aka: birth defects that occur in fewer than 2 out of every 10,000 births. Virtually all DSD cause reduced fertility.

2) What is gender identity and how does it develop in children?

1. It refers to knowing one's sex; this awareness develops over time.
2. By age 3, the majority of children will correctly identify their sex, but do not understand the permanence of sex until age 7.
3. Pre-schoolers and teens are especially vulnerable to transgender & other propaganda/social contagion, as are children with ADHD, Autism spectrum and mental illnesses

3) What causes transgender belief in children?

1. Biological vulnerability (Personality traits) + Environment + Free will choices
 - i. Affirmation/social transition by family (and/or schools)
 - ii. Family dynamics – innocent and/or due to parent mental illness
 - iii. Child mental illness or neurological condition
 - iv. Child abuse (sexual/physical/verbal/psychological)
 - v. Pornography exposure/use/addiction
 - vi. Social contagion via Internet/social media/mainstream media/schools etc...

4) Is social transition harmful?

1. Yes. Encouraging youth to role play a false belief and requiring others to play along, causes a persistence of that false belief. Moreover, a 2020 study by Dr. Walter Schumm found that youth affirmed as “trans” have lower self-esteem than age-matched peers and found that their low self-esteem worsened the longer they were affirmed. Finally, youth who are socially affirmed as trans are started down the road of the toxic self-fulfilling prophecy known as medical transition often as young as 8 years of age.

5) What is medical transition?

1. Medical transition refers to providing drugs (puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, and surgery) to children who believe they are trapped in the wrong body. Since drugs and surgery cannot change sex, “medical transition” amounts to toxic chemical and surgical drag.

6) Are puberty blockers dangerous?

- a. Yes. Package insert: May cause new onset psychological disorders; emotional lability
- b. FDA Black box warning about brain swelling
- c. Bone loss causing fractures in twenties/young adulthood
- d. Disruption of sex-hormone-directed brain development (poss. Loss of IQ)
- e. Life-long sexual dysfunction
- f. Infertility that can become permanent sterility with cross-sex hormone use
- g. Loss of time undergoing normal physical & psychosocial development with peers
- h.

7) Are cross-sex hormones dangerous?

- a. Yes. Emotional distress, sterility, blood clots, strokes, heart disease, diabetes, cancers and more ...

8) What surgeries are performed on youth with transgender belief – in some cases even without parental consent?

1. On girls: double mastectomies, hysterectomies and so called phalloplasty
2. On boys: facial surgery, breast augmentation, castration and so called creation of a “neo-vagina”.

9) Will trans-believing youth kill themselves without toxic, sterilizing and mutilating chemical and surgical interventions?

1. No. The studies that claim transgender interventions reduce suicide are deeply flawed.
2. A recent Heritage Foundation study with superior design demonstrates that easing access to puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones to minors without parental consent increases youth suicide rates.
3. A 30 year study out of Sweden found that fully transitioned adults had a suicide rate 19 times higher than that of the general public.
4. Dr. Biggs out of the UK blew the whistle on a censored 2018 report from

the Tavistok Gender Clinic that found girls on puberty blockers did worse mentally and emotionally than those without blockers.

5. The package inserts of #1 puberty blocker (Lupron) & cross-sex hormones all list emotional disturbances which lead to suicide as side-effects.

10) ACTION STEPS FOR ALL TO HELP PREVENT INDOCTRINATION:

1. Educate yourselves, children, family & friends (scientific citations available at links)
 - i. Gender Resource Guide: <https://genderresourceguide.com>
 - ii. Back to School for Parents: <https://familypolicyalliance.com/back-to-school-for-parents/>
 - iii. Advocates Protecting Children: <https://www.advocatesprotectingchildren.org>
 - iv. American College of Pediatricians gender page: <https://acpeds.org/topics/sexuality-issues-of-youth/gender-confusion-and-transgender-identity>
2. Home School your children
3. Run for School Board
4. Be a values voter
5. Learn to make libraries safe for kids/other ways to be effective pro-family advocate: <https://www.massresistance.org/docs/gen4/22c/ID-parents-confront-library-bd/index.html>

11) ACTION STEP FOR MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

1. Join online forum for therapists: <https://genderexploratory.com/>

12) ACTION STEPS FOR PARENTS IF CHILDREN DEVELOP TRANSGENDER BELIEF:

- Embrace child; profess your love and vow that you will go through a journey of healing & exploration together. (Gender exploratory refers to pursuing a full psycho-social evaluation while affirming the child's character and other positive traits without affirming the false identity.)
- Read [Desist, Detrans & Detox: Getting Your Child Out of the Gender Cult](#) by Advocates Protecting Children <https://www.advocatesprotectingchildren.org>
- American College of Pediatricians Brochure: <https://acpeds.org/assets/Transgender-Pamphlet.pdf>
- American College of Pediatricians Find Help: <https://acpeds.org/find-a-therapist>
- View list of therapists at: <https://genderexploratory.com/>