

## Appendix Attachment

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
TALLAHASSEE DIVISION

AUGUST DEKKER, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No. 4:22-cv-00325-RH-MAF

SIMONE MARSTILLER, et al.,

Defendants.

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**DECLARATION OF JAMES M. CANTOR, PH.D**

I, James M. Cantor, Ph.D., hereby declare and state as follows:

1. I am over the age of 18, of sound mind, and in all respects competent to testify. I have personal knowledge of the information contained in this declaration and would testify completely to those facts if called to do so.

2. I am a neuroscientist and sex researcher, with an internationally recognized record studying the development of human sexuality and atypical sexualities. I am the author of over 50 peer-reviewed articles in my field, spanning the development of sexual orientation, gender identity, hypersexuality, and atypical sexualities collectively referred to as *paraphilic*. I am the author of the past three editions of the gender identity and atypical sexualities chapter of the *Oxford Textbook of Psychopathology*. These works are now routinely cited in the field and are included in numerous other textbooks of sex research. These publications span the biological and non-biological development of human sexuality, the classification of sexual interest patterns, the assessment and treatment of atypical sexualities, and the application of statistics and research methodology in sex research.

3. Over my academic career, my posts have included Senior Scientist and Psychologist at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH), Head of Research for CAMH's Sexual Behaviour Clinic, Associate Professor of Psychiatry on the University of Toronto Faculty of Medicine,

and Editor-in-Chief of the peer reviewed journal, *Sexual Abuse*. That journal is one of the top-impact, peer-reviewed journals in sexual behavior science and is the official journal of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers. In that appointment, I was charged to be the final arbiter for impartially deciding which contributions from other scientists in my field merited publication. I believe that appointment indicates not only my extensive experience evaluating scientific claims and methods, but also the faith put in me by the other scientists in my field. I have also served on the Editorial Boards of the *Journal of Sex Research*, the *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, and *Journal of Sexual Aggression*. I am currently the Director of the Toronto Sexuality Centre in Canada. Thus, although I cannot speak for other scientists, I regularly interact with and am routinely exposed to the views and opinions of most of the scientists active in our field today, within the United States and throughout the world.

4. For my education and training, I received my Bachelor of Science degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where I studied mathematics, physics, and computer science. I received my Master of Arts degree in psychology from Boston University, where I studied neuropsychology. I earned my Doctoral degree in psychology from McGill University, which included successfully defending my doctoral dissertation studying the effects of psychiatric medication and neurochemical changes on sexual behavior, and included a clinical internship assessing and treating people with a wide range of sexual and gender identity issues.

5. I began providing clinical services to people with gender dysphoria in 1998. I trained under Dr. Ray Blanchard of CAMH and have participated in the assessment and treatment of over one hundred individuals at various stages of considering and enacting both transition and detransition, including its legal, social, and medical (both cross-hormonal and surgical) aspects. My clinical experience includes the assessment and treatment of several thousand individuals experiencing other atypical sexuality issues. I am regularly called upon to provide objective assessment of the science of

human sexuality by the courts (prosecution and defense), professional media, and mental health care providers.

6. I have been retained by the Defendants in the case to describe opinions regarding the science of gender dysphoria and transsexualism, as previously stated in a report that I prepared for the Florida Agency for Healthcare Administration. A copy of that report is attached and incorporated by reference as Exhibit "B." I also have been asked to respond to criticisms of my report made in declarations. If called to testify in this matter, I would testify truthfully based on my personal experience and knowledge.

7. I have testified in deposition or at trial in the following cases within the last four years:

2022	Roe v Utah High School Activities Assn.	Salt Lake County, UT
2022	Re Commitment of Baunee	Syracuse, NY
2022	PFLAG et al. v Abbott	Travis County, TX
2022	Doe v Texas	Travis County, TX
2022	A.M. v Indiana Public Schools	Southern District, IN
2022	Ricard v Kansas	Geary County, KS
2022	Eknes-Tucker v Alabama	Montgomery County, AL
2022	Hersom & Doe v WVa Health & Human Services	Southern District, WVa
2022	BPJ v West Virginia Board of Education	Southern District, WVa
2021	Cox v Indiana Child Services	Child Services, IN
2021	Cross et al. v Loudoun School Board	Loudoun, VA
2021	Josephson v University of Kentucky	Western District, KY
2021	Re Commitment of Michael Hughes (Frye Hearing)	Cook County, IL
2019	US v Peter Bright	Southern District, NY
2019	Spiegel-Savoie v Savoie-Sexten (Custody Hearing)	Boston, MA
2019	Re Commitment of Steven Casper (Frye Hearing)	Kendall County, IL
2019	Re Commitment of Inger (Frye Hearing)	Poughkeepsie, NY

8. A list of my publications within the past 10 years is provided in my curriculum vitae.

9. I was compensated \$400 per hour for preparing my initial report ("Exhibit "B"), totaling \$9600. I am being compensated at an hourly rate of \$400 per hour for my time preparing this declaration. My compensation does not depend on the outcome of this litigation, the opinions I express, or the testimony I may provide.

10. My report summarized the scientific evidence which lead to these conclusions:

- The science shows more than one phenomenon can lead to gender dysphoria, distinguishable by their ages of onset. Each type shows distinct epidemiological and demographic patterns, unique psychological and behavioral profiles, and differing responses to treatment options. Much misunderstanding follows from incorrectly extrapolating information about one type to another.
- The science shows neurological and prenatal components to sexual orientation, but not to gender dysphoria. The terms *innate* and *immutable* pertain to sexual orientation, but not to gender dysphoria.
- For *prepubescent* children supported in their biological sex, there have been 11 cohort studies. All 11 showed that feelings of gender dysphoria *desisted* by puberty for most, resolving as gay or lesbian and realizing they had misinterpreted their cross-sex interests.
- For *pubescent* minors undergoing medical transition (puberty blockers or cross-sex hormones) there have been 11 cohort studies. In four, mental health failed to improve or outright deteriorated. In seven, psychotherapy and medical interventions were provided together, and none found advantage to medical over non-medical intervention. Transition may be the best available option for some, but only a small proportion of the total.
- There has been a single cohort study of prepubescent children supported as their cross-sex identity: Feelings of gender dysphoria persisted past puberty for the majority of children, in contrast with studies of children supported in their biological sex.
- Internet surveys of youth show correlations between transition and mental health variables. Tracking cases over time, cohort studies demonstrated, not that mental health improves with transition, but that minors with better mental health are those permitted to transition.
- U.S. medical organizations are increasingly out of line with international consensus. Although initially supportive of early transition, Sweden, Finland, France, U.K., and Australia have issued increasingly strong policies of psychotherapy as the first line treatment, including an outright ban on medical transition of minors in Sweden.
- Youth with gender dysphoria do not show extreme rates of suicide—Suicide remains exceptionally rare. In behavioral science, *suicide* is distinct from *suicidality* (ideation, gestures, and attempts). Suicide occurs primarily among biological males in middle age, uses highly lethal means, and involves an impulsive but sincere intent to die. Suicidality occurs primarily among biological females in adolescence, uses less lethal means, and represents psychological distress, cries for help or attention, or manipulation with emotional blackmail. The evidence is not consistent with transphobia as a substantial cause, but is strongly consistent with other mental health issues being responsible for each of suicidality, generally unstable identity, and other issues.
- The first set of age requirements for transition proposed for minors was the Dutch Protocol. Subsequent guidelines were released by the Endocrine Society and WPATH, lowering ages and repeatedly notes that medical judgement may overrule standards; however, neither document cites any research justifying the loosening of restrictions.

11. Dr. Karasic asserted (without citing scientific support) that “being transgender is not a paraphilic disorder” (Karasic, footnote-2). That assertion is not the whole truth: As detailed in my report, there is a substantial overlap gender identity and the paraphilias, with a well-documented paraphilia called autogynephilia motivating most cases of adult-onset gender dysphoria, but being unrelated to cases of childhood-onset gender dysphoria, which is instead primarily motivated by homosexuality. It is exactly because I am a recognized expert with a history of published, peer-reviewed research in each sexual orientation, gender identity, and the paraphilias that I am uniquely qualified to discuss exactly this point, whereas neither Dr. Olson-Kennedy nor Dr. Karasic has or claims any expertise at all, whether scientific or clinical anecdote, in the paraphilias.

12. Dr. Karasic asserts that “Dr. Cantor focuses on desistance rates of prepubertal children brought into clinics in Toronto and Amsterdam” (Karasic para 75). Despite such language insinuating cherry-picking of evidence on my part, my report actually provides the comprehensive set of every such outcome study available. Moreover, because every single study, without exception, came to the same conclusion, whether from Toronto, from Amsterdam, or from elsewhere, the entire point is moot. The complete listing of all cohort studies of pre-pubescent children is reprinted as Table 1 at the end of the present report. Neither Drs. Karasic nor Olson-Kennedy cites any study to be missing.

13. Dr. Karasic next faults cohort studies of pre-pubescent because they included a combination of children, some with and some without formal diagnoses of gender dysphoria, and Dr Karasic offers in their place the results of the recent Olson et al. (2022) study. In each of these claims, Dr. Karasic’s report withholds key information that, when revealed, show the precisely opposite conclusions to Dr. Karasic’s claims: First, the evidence shows that having versus not having a formal diagnosis makes no difference in the outcomes of this population. The cohort study following up the Canadian sample directly compared the children with and without a formal diagnosis: Of the 88

children meeting criteria for a formal diagnosis, 13.6% were still gender dysphoric at follow-up, and of the 51 children who did not meet formal criteria, 9.8% were (Singh et al., 2021).

14. Next, the Olson study that Dr. Karasic prefers engaged in exactly the same mixing of diagnostic status to which Karasic objected in the studies he wanted to reject. As noted by Olson et al.: “This study did not assess whether participants met criteria for the DSM-5 diagnosis of Gender Dysphoria in Children. Many parents in this study did not believe that such diagnoses were either ethical or useful and some children did not experience the required distress criterion” (Olson et al., 2022, p. 2). Dr. Karasic is attempting to have it both ways, criticizing or exempting research according to its convenience to his argument rather than providing any unbiased or even consistent accounting of the scientific evidence.

15. Finally, despite Dr. Karasic suggesting that the high persistence rates (97.5%) reported by Olson et al. (2022) should entirely replace the low persistence rates of the 11 other studies, Dr. Karasic left out that Olson et al. (2022) differs from the other 11 studies in being the only one in which the children had already socially transitioned, whereas the other 11 came from clinics that did not permit transition. That is, Olson et al. (2022) is much better explained as evidence that social transition causes a large increase in persistence rates.

16. Dr. Karasic’s language is similarly misleading in describing Olson et al. to be current while all other studies are outdated. Karasic refers to Olson as “a more recent study, which is the only large American prospective study that has been published in the past 35 years” (Karasic para 75). As Table 1 demonstrates, there has actually been a consistent flow of results, show the same result over and over, including as recently as 2021. Dr. Karasic’s emphasis the difference between American versus all international results, however inadvertently, supports the conclusion that differences reflect cultural and social issues rather than medical ones.

17. Dr. Karasic claimed “longitudinal studies show that gender dysphoria in adolescence usually persists” (Karasic, para 76), citing DeVries et al. (2011). That is, once again, not the whole truth: The de Vries study did not pertain to “gender dysphoria in adolescence,” but rather to gender dysphoria *that began in early childhood and continued to persist* in adolescence. Dr. Karasic’s language, whether strategic or just carelessly vague, extrapolates without justification from a very small and specific population to the many times larger group of adolescent-onset cases, who differ on every objective variable available.

18. Dr. Karasic’s reminder that “no medical treatment, let alone irreversible medical and surgical interventions, is used prior to puberty” (para 76) again fails to provide the full evidence. The evidence consistently suggests that each stage of transition makes taking the next step more likely. Prepubescent children permitted to socially transition are more likely to go on to puberty blockers than are children who are not permitted to socially transition. Pubescent age children who begin puberty blockers are more likely to go on to cross-sex hormones than those who do not begin puberty blockers. Etc. By ignoring the clear implications of this clear pattern, Dr. Karasic minimizes the caution required at each decision-making step, whereas a valid risk:benefit analysis must include such clearly foreseeable outcomes.

19. It is not clear on what basis Dr. Karasic believes he contradicts me in his next two points (Karasic, para 75): Already emphasized in my report are that researchers have experimented with puberty blockers for childhood-onset gender dysphoria persisting into adolescence and that evidence regarding childhood-onset should not be generalized to adult-onset or adolescent-onset gender dysphoria.

20. Regarding mental illness, Dr. Karasic cites the (now outdated) 2012 version of the WPATH Standards of Care to assert that “in most cases, having a history of mental illness should not

prevent people from receiving gender-affirming medical and surgical treatment” (para 77). The current (2022) version of the WPATH Standards of Care include<sup>1</sup>:

18.1- We recommend mental health professionals address mental health symptoms that interfere with a person’s capacity to consent to gender-affirming treatment before gender-affirming treatment is initiated.

18.2- We recommend mental health professionals offer care and support to transgender and gender diverse people to address mental health symptoms that interfere with a person’s capacity to participate in essential perioperative care before gender-affirmation surgery.

18.3- We recommend when significant mental health symptoms or substance abuse exists, mental health professionals assess the potential negative impact that mental health symptoms may have on outcomes based on the nature of the specific gender-affirming surgical procedure.

Dr. Karasic does not indicate what in my report is inconsistent with any of this. Dr. Karasic’s assertion beg the question: The vague language of the WPATH standards allow care providers to draw at any arbitrary point any arbitrary line between (for example) what does or does not count as potential interference, with no objective basis and no accounting for consistency.

21. Dr. Karasic contests my use of the phrase “affirmation on demand” because the (outdated) WPATH Standards of Care “requires a comprehensive mental health assessment” (Karasic, para 78). Dr. Karasic is in error to refer to anything in the WPATH documents as a requirement—the document itself is not binding, there does not exist any system for assessing adherence to it, WPATH has no professional disciplinary system for reported violations, and the contents of the WPATH SOC repeatedly explicate that health care providers may provide exceptions to guidelines due to “professional judgment.” As already noted, the sketchy language of the WPATH and repeated indications that care providers may make exceptions without consequence allows any cursory assessment to be deemed “comprehensive” simply by declaring it to be so.

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<sup>1</sup> Coleman et al., 2022, p. S171

22. As already noted, my report summarized all 11 cohort studies of people with childhood onset gender dysphoria that persisted into adolescence. Of these, Dr. Karasic mentions three. In all three, Dr. Karasic's criticism is that they showed evidence of mental health improvement. Thus, in all three, Dr. Karasic makes the same error: That some people in some studies showed some improvement is not the question. The point is that these studies are unable to determine if the mental health improvements were caused by transition or by the mental health treatments that these people were also receiving at the same time.

23. The only, even theoretically possible, exception was reported by Achille et al. (2020). That was a small ( $n = 50$ ) study that conducted very many analyses, using a very liberal statistical threshold, and finding overall that "Given our modest sample size, particularly when stratified by gender, most predictors did not reach statistical significance" (Achille et al., 2020, p. 3). The single analysis that did meet the (liberal) threshold for statistical significance was in the male-to-female group on one of the several mental health measures. In an analysis such as this, it is unclear whether a result is genuine or a statistical fluke, called a "False Positive." That the other studies have failed to replicate the finding indicates it indeed represents a false positive, also called a "Type I Error."

24. Dr. Olson-Kennedy claimed I "incorrectly allege that an increase in numbers of youth presenting for care related to GD provides support for the social contagion theory" (Olson-Kennedy, para 63). My report, however, includes no such allegation: I never mention social contagion at all, and Dr. Olson-Kennedy provides no reference to where I allegedly did.

25. My report does, however, include the following information from the peer-reviewed literature (Cantor, para 48)<sup>2</sup>:

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<sup>2</sup> Footnote-58 of that document is the citation to Littman, 2018, and footnote-29 is the citation to Kaltiala-Heino, *et al.*, 2015; Littman, 2018; and Warrier, *et al.*, 2020.

The majority of cases appear to occur within clusters of peers and in association with increased social media use<sup>58</sup> and especially among people with autism or other neurodevelopmental or mental health issues.<sup>59</sup>

These features—clustering and co-occurrence in people with social difficulties—are indeed consistent with the social contagion theory, but my report never attempts to make that argument. Moreover, although Olson-Kennedy tries to explain why the “increases in numbers” do not support social contagion theory, she offers no alternative explanation for the social group clustering or clinical history of social impediments.

26. Dr. Olson-Kennedy next claimed (Olson-Kennedy, para 67):

Dr. Cantor is wrong to assert that affirmation “increases the probability of unnecessary transition and unnecessary medical risks.” (Cantor ¶ 21). There is no evidence to support the notion that affirmation of gender in pre-pubertal children, or at any age, leads to transition.

That evidence does indeed exist, and it is easily cited: As already indicated, there have been 11 follow-up studies of pre-pubertal children of clinics which did not permit social transition, and the feelings of gender dysphoria desisted 61–88% of cases (Table 1). In direct contrast, Olson et al. (2022) published the follow-up data from children that *did* transition socially before puberty, finding that desistance occurred in only 6%. It is difficult to explain these results in any way other than as social transition greatly increasing the probability of the persistence of gender dysphoria in children. Not only is the allegedly missing evidence easily cited, it was cited by Dr. Karasic (although he indicated a desistance rate of 2.5% instead of 6%).

27. Dr. Olson-Kennedy’s next claim regarding my report was (Olson-Kennedy para 92):

The GAPMS Memo and Dr. Cantor criticize that the diagnosis of gender dysphoria is based, at least in part, on a patient’s self-report. (GAPMS Memo at 19, 24, 28; Cantor ¶¶ 42, 49). This critique demonstrates a fundamental misunderstanding of how gender-affirming care is provided.

Any review of my report reveals it to say no such thing. Paragraph 42 of my report instead states, very clearly, that the systematic and objective procedures used by the original research clinics have been replaced with non-systematic and subjective procedures<sup>3</sup>:

42. The authors of the original Dutch studies were careful not to overstate the implications of their results, “We *cautiously* conclude that puberty suppression *may be* a valuable *element* in clinical management of adolescent gender dysphoria.”<sup>47</sup> Nonetheless, many other clinics and clinicians intrepidly proceeded on the basis of only the perceived positives, broadened the range of people beyond those represented in the research findings, and removed the protections applied in the procedures that led to those outcomes. Many clinics and individual clinicians have reduced the minimum age for transition to 10 instead of 12. While the Dutch Protocol involves interdisciplinary teams of clinicians, many clinics now rely on a single assessor, in some cases one without adequate professional training in childhood and adolescent mental health. Comprehensive, longitudinal assessments (e.g., 1 to 2 years<sup>48</sup>) became approvals after one or two assessment sessions. Validated, objective measures of youths’ psychological functioning were replaced with clinicians’ subjective (and first) opinions, often reflecting only the clients’ own self-report. Systematic recordings of outcomes, so as to allow for detection and correction of clinical deficiencies, were eliminated.

Dr. Olson-Kennedy’s commentary regarding the inclusion of self-report evades the point: It is the self-report despite the availability of superior procedures and in addition to the simultaneous degradation of the multiple other safe-guards that demonstrates the loss of safety in the provision of health care with this issue. Moreover, despite my listing very many problems in providing high quality care, Dr. Olson-Kennedy contests only this one aspect.

28. Regarding my paragraph 49, I wrote<sup>4</sup>:

It cannot be easily determined whether the self-reported gender dysphoria is a result of other underlying issues or if those mental health issues are the result of the stresses of being a sexual minority, as some writers are quick to assume.<sup>60</sup>

The only way in which Dr. Olson-Kennedy could find this objectionable would be if she believes it easy to distinguish exactly which of multiple stressors result in exactly which of multiple mental health symptoms. There does not exist any published research leading to such a conclusion.

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<sup>3</sup> Footnote-47 of that report is the citation to de Vries et al., 2011, at 2282; footnote-48 of that report is the citation to de Vries et al., 2011.

<sup>4</sup> Footnote-60 of that document is the citation to Boivin, et al., 2020.

29. Next, Dr. Olson-Kennedy writes, “The GAPMS Memo and Dr. Cantor allege that the provision of puberty delaying medications for the treatment of gender dysphoria are not effective. This is not true” (Olson-Kennedy, para 95). Not only do I not make that claim, it is not scientifically possible to make such a claim. It represents what in science is called “proving the null hypothesis.” In the scientific method, we assume the null hypothesis and retain it until there is evidence requiring us to reject it, and future evidence remains eternally (even if only theoretically) possible.

30. What my report does provide is: first, a depiction of the routine, scientific hierarchy of higher quality to lower quality research and, second, a comprehensive review providing all 11 cohort studies (the highest research quality level currently available in the peer reviewed literature). Among those 11 studies, four found no mental health improvement, five provided psychotherapy at the same time as medicalize transition leaving unknown which resulted in mental health improvement, and two found no superiority of medical intervention over psychotherapy on mental health.

31. Dr. Olson-Kennedy does not appear to contest of this. Rather, her report simply reiterates the portions of the subset of studies suggesting improved mental health and fails to address the central issue—whether those mental health improvements (when detected at all) resulted from mental health treatment or from medicalized transition.

32. Dr. Olson-Kennedy’s report (para 110) is misleading in saying “Dr. Cantor describes several studies...” when I summarized the research literature: What I describe in my report is an exhaustive list including every single cohort study in the literature. It is only with comprehensive evidence that one can avoid biased cherry-picking of the research. Dr. Olson-Kennedy cites no example of any cohort (or higher quality) study that I missed.

33. Dr. Olson-Kennedy objects to the highly plausible and parsimoniously superior idea that mental health treatment is what causes mental health improvement, but the basis of her objection is, however, entirely tangential: I did not, and the studies I cited did not, suggest psychotherapy was

changing *gender identity*, as Dr. Olson-Kennedy mistakes. Rather, and to repeat, I point out the obvious explanation that improvements in mental health resulted from mental health treatment.

34. Dr. Olson-Kennedy also misrepresents the comments from Harry Benjamin's 1966 *The Transsexual Phenomenon*. That text refers to adult, and only to adult, gender dysphoria. Children are never mentioned.

35. In summary, Drs. Karasic and Olson-Kennedy fail to provide any scientifically legitimate analysis of the type provided by experts in the development of human sexuality. Their claims repeatedly extrapolate information from one population to others. Their claims rely on subjective and anecdotal evidence, rejecting the objective evidence. They fail to provide any consideration of alternative explanations to the objective evidence, actively avoiding superior and more parsimonious interpretations. Their reports fail to provide any meaningfully full accounting of the science, instead citing and addressing only selective pieces, with language insinuating the presence of evidence that does not exist.

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**Table 1. Cohort Studies of Gender Dysphoric Children**

2/16	gay	Lebovitz, P. S. (1972). Feminine behavior in boys: Aspects of its outcome. <i>American Journal of Psychiatry</i> , 128, 1283–1289.
4/16	trans-/crossdress	
10/16	straight/uncertain	
2/16	trans-	Zuger, B. (1978). Effeminate behavior present in boys from childhood: Ten additional years of follow-up. <i>Comprehensive Psychiatry</i> , 19, 363–369.
2/16	uncertain	
12/16	gay	
0/9	trans-	Money, J., & Russo, A. J. (1979). Homosexual outcome of discordant gender identity/role: Longitudinal follow-up. <i>Journal of Pediatric Psychology</i> , 4, 29–41.
9/9	gay	
2/45	trans-/crossdress	Zuger, B. (1984). Early effeminate behavior in boys: Outcome and significance for homosexuality. <i>Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease</i> , 172, 90–97.
10/45	uncertain	
33/45	gay	
1/10	trans-	
2/10	gay	Davenport, C. W. (1986). A follow-up study of 10 feminine boys. <i>Archives of Sexual Behavior</i> , 15, 511–517.
3/10	uncertain	
4/10	straight	
1/44	trans-	Green, R. (1987). <i>The "sissy boy syndrome" and the development of homosexuality</i> . New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.
43/44	cis-	
0/8	trans-	Kosky, R. J. (1987). Gender-disordered children: Does inpatient treatment help? <i>Medical Journal of Australia</i> , 146, 565–569.
8/8	cis-	
21/54	trans-	Wallien, M. S. C., & Cohen-Kettenis, P. T. (2008). Psychosexual outcome of gender-dysphoric children. <i>Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry</i> , 47, 1413–1423.
33/54	cis-	
3/25	trans-	Drummond, K. D., Bradley, S. J., Badali-Peterson, M., & Zucker, K. J. (2008). A follow-up study of girls with gender identity disorder. <i>Developmental Psychology</i> , 44, 34–45.
6/25	lesbian/bi-	
16/25	straight	
47/127	trans-	Steenisma, T. D., McGuire, J. K., Kreukels, B. P. C., Beekman, A. J., & Cohen-Kettenis, P. T. (2013). Factors associated with desistence and persistence of childhood gender dysphoria: A quantitative follow-up study. <i>Journal of the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry</i> , 52, 582–590.
80/127	cis-	
17/139	trans-	Singh, D., Bradley, S. J., and Zucker, K. J. (2021) A follow-up study of boys with gender identity disorder. <i>Frontiers in Psychiatry</i> , 12, 632784. doi: 10.3389/fpsyg.2021.632784
122/139	cis-	

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day  
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Respectfully submitted,



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## KEYNOTE AND INVITED ADDRESSES

1. Cantor, J. M. (2021, September 28). *No topic too tough for this expert panel: A year in review*. Plenary Session for the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Research and Treatment Conference, Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers.
2. Cantor, J. M. (2019, May 1). *Introduction and Q&A for 'I, Pedophile.'* StopSO 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference, London, UK.
3. Cantor, J. M. (2018, August 29). *Neurobiology of pedophilia or paraphilia? Towards a 'Grand Unified Theory' of sexual interests*. Keynote address to the International Association for the Treatment of Sexual Offenders, Vilnius, Lithuania.
4. Cantor, J. M. (2018, August 29). *Pedophilia and the brain: Three questions asked and answered*. Preconference training presented to the International Association for the Treatment of Sexual Offenders, Vilnius, Lithuania.
5. Cantor, J. M. (2018, April 13). *The responses to I, Pedophile from We, the people*. Keynote address to the Minnesota Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
6. Cantor, J. M. (2018, April 11). *Studying atypical sexualities: From vanilla to I, Pedophile*. Full day workshop at the Minnesota Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
7. Cantor, J. M. (2018, January 20). *How much sex is enough for a happy life?* Invited lecture to the University of Toronto Division of Urology Men's Health Summit, Toronto, Canada.
8. Cantor, J. M. (2017, November 2). Pedophilia as a phenomenon of the brain: Update of evidence and the public response. Invited presentation to the 7<sup>th</sup> annual SBC education event, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Toronto, Canada.
9. Cantor, J. M. (2017, June 9). Pedophilia being in the brain: The evidence and the public's reaction. Invited presentation to *SEXposure at the ROM: The science of love and sex*, Toronto, Canada.
10. Cantor, J. M., & Campea, M. (2017, April 20). *"I, Pedophile" showing and discussion*. Invited presentation to the 42<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Sex Therapy and Research, Montréal, Canada.
11. Cantor, J. M. (2017, March 1). *Functional and structural neuroimaging of pedophilia: Consistencies across methods and modalities*. Invited lecture to the Brain Imaging Centre, Royal Ottawa Hospital, Ottawa, Canada.
12. Cantor, J. M. (2017, January 26). *Pedophilia being in the brain: The evidence and the public reaction*. Inaugural keynote address to the University of Toronto Sexuality Interest Network, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
13. Cantor, J. M. (2016, October 14). *Discussion of CBC's "I, Pedophile."* Office of the Children's Lawyer Educational Session, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
14. Cantor, J. M. (2016, September 15). *Evaluating the risk to reoffend: What we know and what we don't*. Invited lecture to the Association of Ontario Judges, Ontario Court of Justice Annual Family Law Program, Blue Mountains, Ontario, Canada. [Private link only: <https://vimeo.com/239131108/3387c80652>]
15. Cantor, J. M. (2016, April 8). *Pedophilia and the brain: Conclusions from the second generation of research*. Invited lecture at the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Risk and Recovery Forensic Conference, Hamilton, Ontario.

16. Cantor, J. M. (2016, April 7). *Hypersexuality without the hyperbole*. Keynote address to the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Risk and Recovery Forensic Conference, Hamilton, Ontario.
17. Cantor, J. M. (2015, November). *No one asks to be sexually attracted to children: Living in Daniel's World*. Grand Rounds, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. Toronto, Canada.
18. Cantor, J. M. (2015, August). *Hypersexuality: Getting past whether "it" is or "it" isn't*. Invited address at the 41<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research. Toronto, Canada.
19. Cantor, J. M. (2015, July). *A unified theory of typical and atypical sexual interest in men: Paraphilia, hypersexuality, asexuality, and vanilla as outcomes of a single, dual opponent process*. Invited presentation to the 2015 Puzzles of Sexual Orientation conference, Lethbridge, AL, Canada.
20. Cantor, J. M. (2015, June). *Hypersexuality*. Keynote Address to the Ontario Problem Gambling Provincial Forum. Toronto, Canada.
21. Cantor, J. M. (2015, May). *Assessment of pedophilia: Past, present, future*. Keynote Address to the International Symposium on Neural Mechanisms Underlying Pedophilia and Child Sexual Abuse (NeMUP). Berlin, Germany.
22. Cantor, J. M. (2015, March). *Prevention of sexual abuse by tackling the biggest stigma of them all: Making sex therapy available to pedophiles*. Keynote address to the 40<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Sex Therapy and Research, Boston, MA.
23. Cantor, J. M. (2015, March). *Pedophilia: Predisposition or perversion?* Panel discussion at Columbia University School of Journalism. New York, NY.
24. Cantor, J. M. (2015, February). *Hypersexuality*. Research Day Grand Rounds presentation to Ontario Shores Centre for Mental Health Sciences, Whitby, Ontario, Canada.
25. Cantor, J. M. (2015, January). *Brain research and pedophilia: What it means for assessment, research, and policy*. Keynote address to the inaugural meeting of the Netherlands Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Utrecht, Netherlands.
26. Cantor, J. M. (2014, December). *Understanding pedophilia and the brain: Implications for safety and society*. Keynote address for The Jewish Community Confronts Violence and Abuse: Crisis Centre for Religious Women, Jerusalem, Israel.
27. Cantor, J. M. (2014, October). *Understanding pedophilia & the brain*. Invited full-day workshop for the Sex Offender Assessment Board of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, PA.
28. Cantor, J. M. (2014, September). *Understanding neuroimaging of pedophilia: Current status and implications*. Invited lecture presented to the Mental Health and Addiction Rounds, St. Joseph's Healthcare, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada.
29. Cantor, J. M. (2014, June). *An evening with Dr. James Cantor*. Invited lecture presented to the Ontario Medical Association, District 11 Doctors' Lounge Program, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
30. Cantor, J. M. (2014, April). *Pedophilia and the brain*. Invited lecture presented to the University of Toronto Medical Students lunchtime lecture. Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
31. Cantor, J. M. (2014, February). *Pedophilia and the brain: Recap and update*. Workshop presented at the 2014 annual meeting of the Washington State Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Cle Elum, WA.
32. Cantor, J. M., Lafaille, S., Hannah, J., Kucyi, A., Soh, D., Girard, T. A., & Mikulis, D. M. (2014, February). *Functional connectivity in pedophilia*. Neuropsychiatry Rounds, Toronto Western Hospital, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

33. Cantor, J. M. (2013, November). *Understanding pedophilia and the brain: The basics, the current status, and their implications*. Invited lecture to the Forensic Psychology Research Centre, Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada.
34. Cantor, J. M. (2013, November). *Mistaking puberty, mistaking hebephilia*. Keynote address presented to the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Chicago, IL.
35. Cantor, J. M. (2013, October). *Understanding pedophilia and the brain: A recap and update*. Invited workshop presented at the 32nd annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Chicago, IL.
36. Cantor, J. M. (2013, October). *Compulsive-hyper-sex-addiction: I don't care what we all it, what can we do?* Invited address presented to the Board of Examiners of Sex Therapists and Counselors of Ontario, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
37. Cantor, J. M. (2013, September). *Neuroimaging of pedophilia: Current status and implications*. McGill University Health Centre, Department of Psychiatry Grand Rounds presentation, Montréal, Québec, Canada.
38. Cantor, J. M. (2013, April). *Understanding pedophilia and the brain*. Invited workshop presented at the 2013 meeting of the Minnesota Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Minneapolis, MN.
39. Cantor, J. M. (2013, April). *The neurobiology of pedophilia and its implications for assessment, treatment, and public policy*. Invited lecture at the 38<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Sex Therapy and Research, Baltimore, MD.
40. Cantor, J. M. (2013, April). *Sex offenders: Relating research to policy*. Invited roundtable presentation at the annual meeting of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, Dallas, TX.
41. Cantor, J. M. (2013, March). *Pedophilia and brain research: From the basics to the state-of-the-art*. Invited workshop presented to the annual meeting of the Forensic Mental Health Association of California, Monterey, CA.
42. Cantor, J. M. (2013, January). *Pedophilia and child molestation*. Invited lecture presented to the Canadian Border Services Agency, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
43. Cantor, J. M. (2012, November). *Understanding pedophilia and sexual offenders against children: Neuroimaging and its implications for public safety*. Invited guest lecture to University of New Mexico School of Medicine Health Sciences Center, Albuquerque, NM.
44. Cantor, J. M. (2012, November). *Pedophilia and brain research*. Invited guest lecture to the annual meeting of the Circles of Support and Accountability, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
45. Cantor, J. M. (2012, January). *Current findings on pedophilia brain research*. Invited workshop at the San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment, San Diego, CA.
46. Cantor, J. M. (2012, January). *Pedophilia and the risk to re-offend*. Invited lecture to the Ontario Court of Justice Judicial Development Institute, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
47. Cantor, J. M. (2011, November). *Pedophilia and the brain: What it means for assessment, treatment, and policy*. Plenary Lecture presented at the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
48. Cantor, J. M. (2011, July). *Towards understanding contradictory findings in the neuroimaging of pedophilic men*. Keynote address to 7<sup>th</sup> annual conference on Research in Forensic Psychiatry, Regensburg, Germany.

49. Cantor, J. M. (2011, March). *Understanding sexual offending and the brain: Brain basics to the state of the art*. Workshop presented at the winter conference of the Oregon Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Oregon City, OR.
50. Cantor, J. M. (2010, October). *Manuscript publishing for students*. Workshop presented at the 29th annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Phoenix, AZ.
51. Cantor, J. M. (2010, August). *Is sexual orientation a paraphilia?* Invited lecture at the International Behavioral Development Symposium, Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada.
52. Cantor, J. M. (2010, March). *Understanding sexual offending and the brain: From the basics to the state of the art*. Workshop presented at the annual meeting of the Washington State Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Blaine, WA.
53. Cantor, J. M. (2009, January). *Brain structure and function of pedophilia men*. Neuropsychiatry Rounds, Toronto Western Hospital, Toronto, Ontario.
54. Cantor, J. M. (2008, April). *Is pedophilia caused by brain dysfunction?* Invited address to the University-wide Science Day Lecture Series, SUNY Oswego, Oswego, NY.
55. Cantor, J. M., Kabani, N., Christensen, B. K., Zipursky, R. B., Barbaree, H. E., Dickey, R., Klassen, P. E., Mikulis, D. J., Kuban, M. E., Blak, T., Richards, B. A., Hanratty, M. K., & Blanchard, R. (2006, September). *MRIs of pedophilic men*. Invited presentation at the 25<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Chicago.
56. Cantor, J. M., Blanchard, R., & Christensen, B. K. (2003, March). *Findings in and implications of neuropsychology and epidemiology of pedophilia*. Invited lecture at the 28<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Sex Therapy and Research, Miami.
57. Cantor, J. M., Christensen, B. K., Klassen, P. E., Dickey, R., & Blanchard, R. (2001, July). *Neuropsychological functioning in pedophiles*. Invited lecture presented at the 27<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Bromont, Canada.
58. Cantor, J. M., Blanchard, R., Christensen, B., Klassen, P., & Dickey, R. (2001, February). *First glance at IQ, memory functioning and handedness in sex offenders*. Lecture presented at the Forensic Lecture Series, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
59. Cantor, J. M. (1999, November). *Reversal of SSRI-induced male sexual dysfunction: Suggestions from an animal model*. Grand Rounds presentation at the Allan Memorial Institute, Royal Victoria Hospital, Montréal, Canada.

## PAPER PRESENTATIONS AND SYMPOSIA

1. Cantor, J. M. (2020, April). "I'd rather have a trans kid than a dead kid": Critical assessment of reported rates of suicidality in trans kids. *Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Society for the Sex Therapy and Research*. Online in lieu of in person meeting.
2. Stephens, S., Lalumière, M., Seto, M. C., & Cantor, J. M. (2017, October). *The relationship between sexual responsiveness and sexual exclusivity in phallometric profiles*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Canadian Sex Research Forum, Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada.
3. Stephens, S., Cantor, J. M., & Seto, M. C. (2017, March). *Can the SSPI-2 detect hebephilic sexual interest?* Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American-Psychology Law Society Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA.
4. Stephens, S., Seto, M. C., Goodwill, A. M., & Cantor, J. M. (2015, October). *Victim choice polymorphism and recidivism*. Symposium Presentation. Paper presented at the 34<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Montréal, Canada.
5. McPhail, I. V., Hermann, C. A., Fernane, S. Fernandez, Y., Cantor, J. M., & Nunes, K. L. (2014, October). *Sexual deviance in sexual offenders against children: A meta-analytic review of phallometric research*. Paper presented at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, San Diego, CA.
6. Stephens, S., Seto, M. C., Cantor, J. M., & Goodwill, A. M. (2014, October). *Is hebephilic sexual interest a criminogenic need?: A large scale recidivism study*. Paper presented at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, San Diego, CA.
7. Stephens, S., Seto, M. C., Cantor, J. M., & Lalumière, M. (2014, October). *Development and validation of the Revised Screening Scale for Pedophilic Interests (SSPI-2)*. Paper presented at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, San Diego, CA.
8. Cantor, J. M., Lafaille, S., Hannah, J., Kucyi, A., Soh, D., Girard, T. A., & Mikulis, D. M. (2014, September). *Pedophilia and the brain: White matter differences detected with DTI*. Paper presented at the 13<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Porto, Portugal.
9. Stephens, S., Seto, M., Cantor, J. M., Goodwill, A. M., & Kuban, M. (2014, March). *The role of hebephilic sexual interests in sexual victim choice*. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychology and Law Society, New Orleans, LA.
10. McPhail, I. V., Fernane, S. A., Hermann, C. A., Fernandez, Y. M., Nunes, K. L., & Cantor, J. M. (2013, November). *Sexual deviance and sexual recidivism in sexual offenders against children: A meta-analysis*. Paper presented at the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Chicago, IL.
11. Cantor, J. M. (2013, September). *Pedophilia and the brain: Current MRI research and its implications*. Paper presented at the 21<sup>st</sup> annual World Congress for Sexual Health, Porto Alegre, Brazil. [Featured among Best Abstracts, top 10 of 500.]
12. Cantor, J. M. (Chair). (2012, March). *Innovations in sex research*. Symposium conducted at the 37<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Sex Therapy and Research, Chicago.
13. Cantor, J. M., & Blanchard, R. (2011, August). fMRI versus phallometry in the diagnosis of pedophilia and hebephilia. In J. M. Cantor (Chair), *Neuroimaging of men's object*

- preferences.* Symposium presented at the 37th annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Los Angeles, USA.
14. Cantor, J. M. (Chair). (2011, August). *Neuroimaging of men's object preferences.* Symposium conducted at the 37th annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Los Angeles.
  15. Cantor, J. M. (2010, October). A meta-analysis of neuroimaging studies of male sexual arousal. In S. Stoleru (Chair), *Brain processing of sexual stimuli in pedophilia: An application of functional neuroimaging.* Symposium presented at the 29<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Phoenix, AZ.
  16. Chivers, M. L., Seto, M. C., Cantor, J. C., Grimbos, T., & Roy, C. (April, 2010). *Psychophysiological assessment of sexual activity preferences in women.* Paper presented at the 35<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Sex Therapy and Research, Boston, USA.
  17. Cantor, J. M., Girard, T. A., & Lovett-Barron, M. (2008, November). *The brain regions that respond to erotica: Sexual neuroscience for dummies.* Paper presented at the 51st annual meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
  18. Barbaree, H., Langton, C., Blanchard, R., & Cantor, J. M. (2007, October). *The role of age-at-release in the evaluation of recidivism risk of sexual offenders.* Paper presented at the 26<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, San Diego.
  19. Cantor, J. M., Kabani, N., Christensen, B. K., Zipursky, R. B., Barbaree, H. E., Dickey, R., Klassen, P. E., Mikulis, D. J., Kuban, M. E., Blak, T., Richards, B. A., Hanratty, M. K., & Blanchard, R. (2006, July). *Pedophilia and brain morphology.* Abstract and paper presented at the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Amsterdam, Netherlands.
  20. Seto, M. C., Cantor, J. M., & Blanchard, R. (2006, March). *Child pornography offending is a diagnostic indicator of pedophilia.* Paper presented at the 2006 annual meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society Conference, St. Petersburg, Florida.
  21. Blanchard, R., Cantor, J. M., Bogaert, A. F., Breedlove, S. M., & Ellis, L. (2005, August). *Interaction of fraternal birth order and handedness in the development of male homosexuality.* Abstract and paper presented at the International Behavioral Development Symposium, Minot, North Dakota.
  22. Cantor, J. M., & Blanchard, R. (2005, July). *Quantitative reanalysis of aggregate data on IQ in sexual offenders.* Abstract and poster presented at the 31<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Ottawa, Canada.
  23. Cantor, J. M. (2003, August). *Sex reassignment on demand: The clinician's dilemma.* Paper presented at the 111<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Toronto, Canada.
  24. Cantor, J. M. (2003, June). *Meta-analysis of VIQ-PIQ differences in male sex offenders.* Paper presented at the Harvey Stancer Research Day, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
  25. Cantor, J. M. (2002, August). *Gender role in autogynephilic transsexuals: The more things change...* Paper presented at the 110<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Chicago.

26. Cantor, J. M., Christensen, B. K., Klassen, P. E., Dickey, R., & Blanchard, R. (2001, June). *IQ, memory functioning, and handedness in male sex offenders*. Paper presented at the Harvey Stancer Research Day, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
27. Cantor, J. M. (1998, August). *Convention orientation for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students*. Papers presented at the 106<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.
28. Cantor, J. M. (1997, August). *Discussion hour for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students*. Presented at the 105<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.
29. Cantor, J. M. (1997, August). *Convention orientation for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students*. Paper presented at the 105<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.
30. Cantor, J. M. (1996, August). *Discussion hour for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students*. Presented at the 104<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.
31. Cantor, J. M. (1996, August). *Symposium: Question of inclusion: Lesbian and gay psychologists and accreditation*. Paper presented at the 104<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, Toronto.
32. Cantor, J. M. (1996, August). *Convention orientation for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students*. Papers presented at the 104<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.
33. Cantor, J. M. (1995, August). *Discussion hour for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students*. Presented at the 103<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.
34. Cantor, J. M. (1995, August). *Convention orientation for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students*. Papers presented at the 103<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.
35. Cantor, J. M. (1994, August). *Discussion hour for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students*. Presented at the 102<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.
36. Cantor, J. M. (1994, August). *Convention orientation for lesbian, gay, and bisexual students*. Papers presented at the 102<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association.
37. Cantor, J. M., & Pilkington, N. W. (1992, August). *Homophobia in psychology programs: A survey of graduate students*. Paper presented at the Centennial Convention of the American Psychological Association, Washington, DC. (ERIC Document Reproduction Service No. ED 351 618)
38. Cantor, J. M. (1991, August). *Being gay and being a graduate student: Double the memberships, four times the problems*. Paper presented at the 99<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Psychological Association, San Francisco.

## POSTER PRESENTATIONS

1. Klein, L., Stephens, S., Goodwill, A. M., Cantor, J. M., & Seto, M. C. (2015, October). *The psychological propensities of risk in undetected sexual offenders*. Poster presented at the 34<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Montréal, Canada.
2. Pullman, L. E., Stephens, S., Seto, M. C., Goodwill, A. M., & Cantor, J. M. (2015, October). *Why are incest offenders less likely to recidivate?* Poster presented at the 34<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Montréal, Canada.
3. Seto, M. C., Stephens, S. M., Cantor, J. M., Lalumiere, M. L., Sandler, J. C., & Freeman, N. A. (2015, August). *The development and validation of the Revised Screening Scale for Pedophilic Interests (SSPI-2)*. Poster presentation at the 41<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Toronto, Canada.
4. Soh, D. W., & Cantor, J. M. (2015, August). *A peek inside a furry convention*. Poster presentation at the 41<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Toronto, Canada.
5. VanderLaan, D. P., Lobaugh, N. J., Chakravarty, M. M., Patel, R., Chavez, S., Stojanovski, S. O., Takagi, A., Hughes, S. K., Wasserman, L., Bain, J., Cantor, J. M., & Zucker, K. J. (2015, August). *The neurohormonal hypothesis of gender dysphoria: Preliminary evidence of cortical surface area differences in adolescent natal females*. Poster presentation at the 31<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Toronto, Canada.
6. Cantor, J. M., Lafaille, S. J., Moayedi, M., Mikulis, D. M., & Girard, T. A. (2015, June). *Diffusion tensor imaging (DTI) of the brain in pedohebephilic men: Preliminary analyses*. Harvey Stancer Research Day, Toronto, Ontario Canada.
7. Newman, J. E., Stephens, S., Seto, M. C., & Cantor, J. M. (2014, October). *The validity of the Static-99 in sexual offenders with low intellectual abilities*. Poster presentation at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, San Diego, CA.
8. Lykins, A. D., Walton, M. T., & Cantor, J. M. (2014, June). *An online assessment of personality, psychological, and sexuality trait variables associated with self-reported hypersexual behavior*. Poster presentation at the 30<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Dubrovnik, Croatia.
9. Stephens, S., Seto, M. C., Cantor, J. M., Goodwill, A. M., & Kuban, M. (2013, November). *The utility of phallometry in the assessment of hebephilia*. Poster presented at the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Chicago.
10. Stephens, S., Seto, M. C., Cantor, J. M., Goodwill, A. M., & Kuban, M. (2013, October). *The role of hebephilic sexual interests in sexual victim choice*. Poster presented at the 32<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, Chicago.
11. Fazio, R. L., & Cantor, J. M. (2013, October). *Analysis of the Fazio Laterality Inventory (FLI) in a population with established atypical handedness*. Poster presented at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the National Academy of Neuropsychology, San Diego.
12. Lafaille, S., Hannah, J., Soh, D., Kucyi, A., Girard, T. A., Mikulis, D. M., & Cantor, J. M. (2013, August). *Investigating resting state networks in pedohebephiles*. Poster presented at the 29<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Chicago.

13. McPhail, I. V., Lykins, A. D., Robinson, J. J., LeBlanc, S., & Cantor, J. M. (2013, August). *Effects of prescription medication on volumetric phallometry output*. Poster presented at the 29<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Chicago.
14. Murray, M. E., Dyshniku, F., Fazio, R. L., & Cantor, J. M. (2013, August). *Minor physical anomalies as a window into the prenatal origins of pedophilia*. Poster presented at the 29<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Chicago.
15. Sutton, K. S., Stephens, S., Dyshniku, F., Tulloch, T., & Cantor, J. M. (2013, August). *Pilot group treatment for "procrasturbation."* Poster presented at 39<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Chicago.
16. Sutton, K. S., Pytyck, J., Stratton, N., Sylva, D., Kolla, N., & Cantor, J. M. (2013, August). *Client characteristics by type of hypersexuality referral: A quantitative chart review*. Poster presented at the 39<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Chicago.
17. Fazio, R. L., & Cantor, J. M. (2013, June). *A replication and extension of the psychometric properties of the Digit Vigilance Test*. Poster presented at the 11<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology, Chicago.
18. Lafaille, S., Moayedi, M., Mikulis, D. M., Girard, T. A., Kuban, M., Blak, T., & Cantor, J. M. (2012, July). *Diffusion Tensor Imaging (DTI) of the brain in pedohebephilic men: Preliminary analyses*. Poster presented at the 38<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Lisbon, Portugal.
19. Lykins, A. D., Cantor, J. M., Kuban, M. E., Blak, T., Dickey, R., Klassen, P. E., & Blanchard, R. (2010, July). *Sexual arousal to female children in gynephilic men*. Poster presented at the 38th annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Prague, Czech Republic.
20. Cantor, J. M., Girard, T. A., Lovett-Barron, M., & Blak, T. (2008, July). *Brain regions responding to visual sexual stimuli: Meta-analysis of PET and fMRI studies*. Abstract and poster presented at the 34<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Leuven, Belgium.
21. Lykins, A. D., Blanchard, R., Cantor, J. M., Blak, T., & Kuban, M. E. (2008, July). *Diagnosing sexual attraction to children: Considerations for DSM-V*. Poster presented at the 34<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Leuven, Belgium.
22. Cantor, J. M., Blak, T., Kuban, M. E., Klassen, P. E., Dickey, R. and Blanchard, R. (2007, October). *Physical height in pedophilia and hebephilia*. Poster presented at the 26<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, San Diego.
23. Cantor, J. M., Blak, T., Kuban, M. E., Klassen, P. E., Dickey, R. and Blanchard, R. (2007, August). *Physical height in pedophilia and hebephilia*. Abstract and poster presented at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Vancouver, Canada.
24. Puts, D. A., Blanchard, R., Cardenas, R., Cantor, J., Jordan, C. L., & Breedlove, S. M. (2007, August). *Earlier puberty predicts superior performance on male-biased visuospatial tasks in men but not women*. Abstract and poster presented at the 33<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Vancouver, Canada.
25. Seto, M. C., Cantor, J. M., & Blanchard, R. (2005, November). *Possession of child pornography is a diagnostic indicator of pedophilia*. Poster presented at the 24<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers, New Orleans.

26. Blanchard, R., Cantor, J. M., Bogaert, A. F., Breedlove, S. M., & Ellis, L. (2005, July). *Interaction of fraternal birth order and handedness in the development of male homosexuality*. Abstract and poster presented at the 31<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Ottawa, Canada.
27. Cantor, J. M., & Blanchard, R. (2003, July). *The reported VIQ-PIQ differences in male sex offenders are artifactual?* Abstract and poster presented at the 29<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the International Academy of Sex Research, Bloomington, Indiana.
28. Christensen, B. K., Cantor, J. M., Millikin, C., & Blanchard, R. (2002, February). *Factor analysis of two brief memory tests: Preliminary evidence for modality-specific measurement*. Poster presented at the 30th annual meeting of the International Neuropsychological Society, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.
29. Cantor, J. M., Blanchard, R., Paterson, A., Bogaert, A. (2000, June). *How many gay men owe their sexual orientation to fraternal birth order?* Abstract and poster presented at the International Behavioral Development Symposium, Minot, North Dakota.
30. Cantor, J. M., Binik, Y., & Pfau, J. G. (1996, November). *Fluoxetine inhibition of male rat sexual behavior: Reversal by oxytocin*. Poster presented at the 26<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Society for Neurosciences, Washington, DC.
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7.	2022	Eknes-Tucker v Alabama	Montgomery County, AL
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9.	2022	BPJ v West Virginia Board of Education	Southern District, WVa
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15.	2019	Spiegel-Savoie v Savoie-Sexten (Custody Hearing)	Boston, MA
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17.	2019	Re Commitment of Inger (Frye Hearing)	Poughkeepsie, NY
18.	2018	Re Commitment of Little (Frye Hearing)	Utica, NY
19.	2018	Canada vs John Fitzpatrick (Sentencing Hearing)	Toronto, ON, Canada
20.	2017	Re Commitment of Nicholas Bauer (Frye Hearing)	Lee County, IL
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# **THE SCIENCE OF GENDER DYSPHORIA AND TRANSSEXUALISM**

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## 1.Ā Background & Credentials

1.Ā I am a research scientist and clinical psychologist and am currently the Director of the Toronto Sexuality Centre in Canada. For my education and training, I received my Bachelor of Science degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where I studied mathematics, physics, and computer science. I received my Master of Arts degree in psychology from Boston University, where I studied neuropsychology. I earned my Doctoral degree in psychology from McGill University, which included successfully defending my doctoral dissertation studying the effects of psychiatric medication and neurochemical changes on sexual behavior, and included a clinical internship assessing and treating people with a wide range of sexual and gender identity issues.

2.Ā Over my academic career, my posts have included Senior Scientist and Psychologist at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH), Head of Research for CAMH's Sexual Behaviour Clinic, Associate Professor of Psychiatry on the University of Toronto Faculty of Medicine, and Editor-in-Chief of the peer reviewed journal, *Sexual Abuse*. That journal is one of the top-impact, peer-reviewed journals in sexual behavior science and is the official journal of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers. In that appointment, I was charged to be the final arbiter for impartially deciding which contributions from other scientists in my field merited publication. I believe that appointment indicates not only my extensive experience evaluating scientific claims and methods, but also the faith put in me by the other scientists in my field. I have also served on the Editorial Boards of the *Journal of Sex Research*, the *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, and *Journal of Sexual Aggression*. Thus, although I cannot speak for other scientists, I regularly interact with and am routinely exposed to the views and opinions of most of the scientists active in our field today, within the United States and throughout the world.

3.Ā My scientific expertise spans the biological and non-biological development

of human sexuality, the classification of sexual interest patterns, the assessment and treatment of atypical sexualities, and the application of statistics and research methodology in sex research. I am the author of over 50 peer-reviewed articles in my field, spanning the development of sexual orientation, gender identity, hypersexuality, and atypical sexualities collectively referred to as *paraphilias*. I am the author of the past three editions of the gender identity and atypical sexualities chapter of the *Oxford Textbook of Psychopathology*. These works are now routinely cited in the field and are included in numerous other textbooks of sex research.

**4.Ā** I began providing clinical services to people with gender dysphoria in 1998. I trained under Dr. Ray Blanchard of CAMH and have participated in the assessment and treatment of over one hundred individuals at various stages of considering and enacting both transition and detransition, including its legal, social, and medical (both cross-hormonal and surgical) aspects. My clinical experience includes the assessment and treatment of several thousand individuals experiencing other atypical sexuality issues. I am regularly called upon to provide objective assessment of the science of human sexuality by the courts (prosecution and defense), professional media, and mental health care providers.

**5.Ā** A substantial proportion of the existing research on gender dysphoria comes from two clinics, one in Canada and one in the Netherlands. The CAMH gender clinic (previously, Clarke Institute of Psychiatry) was in operation for several decades, and its research was directed by Dr. Kenneth Zucker. I was employed by CAMH between 1998 and 2018. Although I was a member of the hospital's adult forensic program, I remained in regular contact with members of the CAMH child psychiatry program (of which Dr. Zucker was a member), and we collaborated on multiple research projects.

## **II.Ā Summary of Conclusions**

- Ā The scientific research consistently demonstrates that there is more than one distinct phenomenon that can lead to gender dysphoria. These types are distinguished by differing epidemiological and demographic patterns, unique psychological and behavioral profiles, and differing responses to the treatment options.
- Ā Studies show that otherwise mentally healthy adults—undergoing thorough assessment (1–2 year Real Life Experience) and supervised by clinics engaged in gate-keeping roles—adjust well to life as the opposite sex.
- Ā Regarding pre-pubescent children with gender dysphoria, there have been 11 outcomes studies. All 11 reported the majority of children to cease to feel dysphoric by puberty. They typically report being gay or lesbian instead.
- Ā Regarding pubescent and adolescent age minors, there have been (also) 11 follow-up studies of puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones. In four, mental health failed to improve at all. In five, mental health improved, but because psychotherapy and medical interventions were both provided, which one caused the improvement could not be identified. The two remaining studies employed methods that did permit psychotherapy effects to be distinguished from medical effects, and neither found medical intervention to be superior to psychotherapy-only.
- Ā The research importantly distinguishes completed suicides—which occur primarily in biological males and involve the intent to die—from suicidal ideation, gestures, and attempts—which occur primarily in biological females and represent psychological distress and cries for help. The evidence is minimally consistent with transphobia being the predominant cause of suicidality. The evidence is very strongly consistent with the hypothesis that other mental health issues, such as Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD), cause suicidality and unstable identities, including gender identity confusion.
- Ā The international consensus of public health care services is that there remains no evidence to support medicalized transition for youth. The responses in the U.S. stand in stark contrast with Sweden, Finland, France, and the United Kingdom, which are issuing increasingly restrictive statements and policies, including bans on all medical transition of minors.

### III.Ā Science of Gender Dysphoria and Transsexualism

6.Ā One of the most widespread public misunderstandings about transsexualism and people with gender dysphoria is that all cases of gender dysphoria represent the same phenomenon; however, the clinical science has long and consistently demonstrated that gender dysphoric children (cases of *early-onset* gender dysphoria) do not represent the same phenomenon as adult gender dysphoria

(cases of *late-onset* gender dysphoria),<sup>1</sup> merely attending clinics at younger ages. That is, gender dysphoric children are not simply younger versions of gender dysphoric adults. They differ in every known regard, from sexual interest patterns, to responses to treatments. A third presentation has recently become increasingly observed among people presenting to gender clinics: These cases appear to have an onset in adolescence in the absence of any childhood history of gender dysphoria. Such cases have been called adolescent-onset or “rapid-onset” gender dysphoria (ROGD). Very many public misunderstandings and expert misstatements come from misattributing evidence or personal experience from one of these types to another.

### **A. Adult-Onset Gender Dysphoria**

7.Ā People with adult-onset gender dysphoria typically attend clinics requesting transition services in mid-adulthood, usually in their 30s or 40s. Such individuals are nearly exclusively biological males.<sup>2</sup> They typically report being sexually attracted to women and sometimes to both men and women. Some cases profess asexuality, but very few indicate any sexual interest in or behavior involving men.<sup>3</sup> Cases of adult-onset gender dysphoria are typically associated with a sexual interest pattern (medically, a *paraphilia*) involving themselves in female form.<sup>4</sup>

#### **1.ĀOutcome Studies of Transition in Adult-Onset Gender Dysphoria**

8.Ā Clinical research facilities studying gender dysphoria have repeatedly reported low rates of regret (less than 3%) among adult-onset patients who underwent complete transition (*i.e.*, social, plus hormonal, plus surgical transition). This has been widely reported by clinics in Canada,<sup>5</sup> Sweden,<sup>6</sup> and the Netherlands.<sup>7</sup>

9.Ā Importantly, each of the Canadian, Swedish, and Dutch clinics for adults

<sup>1</sup> Blanchard, 1985.

<sup>2</sup> Blanchard, 1990, 1991.

<sup>3</sup> Blanchard, 1988.

<sup>4</sup> Blanchard 1989a, 1989b, 1991.

<sup>5</sup> Blanchard, *et al.*, 1989.

<sup>6</sup> Dhejneberg, *et al.*, 2014.

<sup>7</sup> Wiepjes, *et al.*, 2018.

with gender dysphoria all performed “gate-keeping” procedures, disqualifying from medical services people with mental health or other contraindications. One would not expect the same results to emerge in the absence of such gate-keeping or when gate-keepers apply only minimal standards or cursory assessment.

10.Ā An important caution applies to interpreting these results: The side-effect of removing these people from the samples of transitioners is that if a researcher compared the average mental health of individuals coming into the clinic with the average mental health of individuals going through medical transition, then the post-transition group would appear to show a substantial improvement, even though transition had *no effect at all*: The removal of people with poorer mental health created the statistical illusion of improvement among the remaining people.

## **2.ĀMental Health Issues in Adult-Onset Gender Dysphoria**

11.Ā The research evidence on mental health issues in gender dysphoria indicates it to be different between adult-onset versus adolescent-onset versus prepubescent-onset types. The co-occurrence of mental illness with gender dysphoria in adults is widely recognized and widely documented.<sup>8</sup> A research team in 2016 published a comprehensive and systematic review of all studies examining rates of mental health issues in transgender adults.<sup>9</sup> There were 38 studies in total. The review indicated that many studies were methodologically weak, but nonetheless demonstrated (1) that rates of mental health issues among people are highly elevated both before *and after* transition, (2) but that rates were less elevated among those who completed transition. Analyses were not conducted in a way so as to compare the elevation in mental health issues observed among people newly attending clinics to improvement after transition. Also, several studies showed more than 40% of patients to become “lost to follow-up.” With attrition rates that high, it is unclear to what

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<sup>8</sup> See, e.g., Hepp, et al., 2005.

<sup>9</sup> Dhejne, et al., 2016.

extent the information from the remaining participants would accurately reflect the whole population. The very high rate of “lost to follow-up” leaves open the possibility of considerably more negative results overall.

12.Ā The long-standing and consistent finding that gender dysphoric adults continue to show high rates of mental health issues after transition indicates a critical point: To the extent that gender dysphoric children resemble adults, we should not expect mental health to improve as a result of transition—that is, transition does not appear to be what causes mental health improvement. Rather, mental health issues should be resolved before any transition, as has been noted in multiple standards of care documents, as detailed in their own section of this report.

## **B. Childhood Onset (Pre-Puberty) Gender Dysphoria**

### **1.ĀFollow-up Studies Show Most Children Desist by Puberty**

13.Ā Prepubescent children (and their parents) have been approaching mental health professionals for help with their unhappiness with their sex and belief they would be happier living as the other for many decades. The large majority of childhood onset cases of gender dysphoria occur in biological males, with clinics reporting 2–6 biological male children to each female.<sup>10</sup>

14.Ā In total, there have been 11 outcomes studies of these children, listed in Appendix 1. In sum, despite coming from a variety of countries, conducted by a variety of labs, using a variety of methods, all spanning four decades, every study without exception has come to the identical conclusion: Among prepubescent children who feel gender dysphoric, the majority cease to want to be the other gender over the course of puberty—ranging from 61–88% desistance across the large, prospective studies. Such cases are often referred to as “desisters,” whereas children who continue to feel gender dysphoric are often called “persisters.”

15.Ā Notably, in most cases, these children were receiving professional

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<sup>10</sup> Cohen-Kettenis, *et al.*, 2003; Steensma, *et al.*, 2018; Wood, *et al.*, 2013.

psychosocial support across the study period aimed, not at affirming cross-gender identification, but at resolving stressors and issues potentially interfering with desistance. While beneficial to these children and their families, the inclusion of therapy in the study protocol represents a complication for the interpretation of the results: It is not possible to know to what extent the outcomes were influenced by the psychosocial support or would have emerged regardless. In science, this is referred to as a confound.

16.Ā While the absolute number of those who present as prepubescent children with gender dysphoria and “persist” through adolescence is very small in relation to the total population, persistence in some subjects was observed in each of these studies. Thus, a clinician cannot take either outcome for granted.

17.Ā It is because of this long-established and unanimous research finding of desistance being probable but not inevitable, that the “watchful waiting” method became the standard approach for assisting gender dysphoric children. The balance of potential risks to potential benefits is very different for groups likely to desist versus groups unlikely to desist: If a child is very likely to persist, then taking on the risks of medical transition might be more worthwhile than if that child is very likely to desist in transgender feelings.

18.Ā The consistent observation of high rates of desistance among pre-pubertal children who present with gender dysphoria demonstrates a pivotally important—yet often overlooked—feature: because gender dysphoria so often desists on its own, clinical researchers cannot assume that therapeutic intervention cannot facilitate or speed desistance for at least some patients. That is, gender identity is not the same as sexual orientation, and it cannot be assumed that gender identity is as unchangeable as is sexual orientation. Such is an empirical question, and there has not yet been any such study.

19.Ā It is also important to note that research has not yet identified any reliable

procedure for discerning which children who present with gender dysphoria will persist, as against the majority who will desist, absent transition and “affirmation.” Such a method would be valuable, as the more accurately that potential persisters can be distinguished from desisters, the better the risks and benefits of options can be weighted. Such “risk prediction” and “test construction” are standard components of applied statistics in the behavioral sciences. Multiple research teams have reported that, on average, groups of persisters are somewhat more gender non-conforming than desisters, but not so different as to usefully predict the course of a particular child.<sup>11</sup>

20.Ā In contrast, one research team (the aforementioned Olson group) claimed the opposite, asserting that they developed a method of distinguishing persisters from desisters, using a single composite score representing a combination of children’s “peer preference, toy preference, clothing preference, gender similarity, and gender identity.”<sup>12</sup> They reported a statistical association (mathematically equivalent to a correlation) between that composite score and the probability of persistence. As they indicated, “Our model predicted that a child with a gender-nonconformity score of .50 would have roughly a .30 probability . . . of socially transitioning. By contrast, a child with gender-nonconformity score of .75 would have roughly a .48 probability.”<sup>13</sup> Although the Olson team declared that “social transitions may be predictable from gender identification and preferences,”<sup>14</sup> their actual results suggest the opposite: The gender-nonconforming group who went on to transition (socially) had a mean composite score of .73 (which is less than .75), and the gender-nonconforming group who did not transition had a mean composite score of .61, also less than .75.<sup>15</sup> Both of those are lower than the value of .75, so both of those would be more likely than not

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<sup>11</sup> Singh, *et al.* (2021); Steensma *et al.*, 2013.

<sup>12</sup> Rae, *et al.*, 2019, at 671.

<sup>13</sup> Rae, *et al.*, 2019, at 673.

<sup>14</sup> Rae, *et al.*, 2019, at 669.

<sup>15</sup> Rae, *et al.*, 2019, Supplemental Material at 6, Table S1, bottom line.

to desist, rather than to proceed to transition. That is, Olson's model does not distinguish likely from unlikely to transition; rather, it distinguishes unlikely from even less likely to transition.

21.Ā Although it remains possible for some future discovery to yield a method to identify with sufficient accuracy which gender dysphoric children will persist, there does not exist such a method at the present time. Moreover, in the absence of long-term follow-up, it cannot be known what proportions come to regret having transitioned and then *detransition*. Because only a minority of gender dysphoric children persist in feeling gender dysphoric in the first place, "transition-on-demand" increases the probability of unnecessary transition and unnecessary medical risks.

## **2.Ā“Watchful Waiting” and “The Dutch Protocol”**

22.Ā It was this state of the science—that the majority of prepubescent children will desist in their feelings of gender dysphoria and that we lack an accurate method of identifying which children will persist—that led to the development of a clinical approach, The Dutch Protocol,<sup>16</sup> including its "Watchful Waiting" period. Internationally, the Dutch Protocol remains the most empirically supported protocol for the treatment of children with gender dysphoria.

23.Ā The purpose of the protocol was to compromise the conflicting needs among: clients' initial wishes upon assessment, the long-established and repeated observation that those wishes will change in the majority of (but not in all) childhood cases, and that cosmetic aspects of medical transition are perceived to be better when they occur earlier rather than later.

24.Ā The Dutch Protocol was developed over many years by the Netherlands' child gender identity clinic, incorporating the accumulating findings from their own research as well as those reported by other clinics working with gender dysphoric

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<sup>16</sup> Delemarre-van de Waal & Cohen-Kettenis (2006).

children. They summarized and explicated the approach in their peer-reviewed report, *Clinical management of gender dysphoria in children and adolescents: The Dutch Approach.*<sup>17</sup> The components of the Dutch Approach are:

- Ā no social transition at all considered before age 12 (watchful waiting period),
- Ā no puberty blockers considered before age 12,
- Ā cross-sex hormones considered only after age 16, and
- Ā resolution of mental health issues before any transition.

25.Ā For youth under age 12, “the general recommendation is watchful waiting and carefully observing how gender dysphoria develops in the first stages of puberty.”<sup>18</sup>

26.Ā The age cut-offs of the Dutch Approach were not based on any research demonstrating their superiority over other potential age cut-off’s. Rather, they were chosen to correspond to the ages of consent to medical procedures under Dutch law. Nevertheless, whatever the original rationale, the data from this clinic simply contain no information about the safety or efficacy of employing these measures at younger ages.

27.Ā The authors of the Dutch Approach repeatedly and consistently emphasize the need for extensive mental health assessment, including clinical interviews, formal psychological testing with validated psychometric instruments, and multiple sessions with the child and the child’s parents.

28.Ā Within the Dutch approach, there is no social transition before age twelve. That is, social affirmation of the new gender may not begin until age 12—as desistance is less likely to occur past that age. “Watchful Waiting” refers to a child’s developmental period up to that age. Watchful waiting does not mean do nothing but passively observe the child. Rather, such children and families typically present with substantial distress involving both gender and non-gender issues, and it is during the watchful waiting period that a child (and other family members as appropriate) would

<sup>17</sup> de Vries & Cohen-Kettenis, 2012

<sup>18</sup> de Vries & Cohen-Kettenis, 2012, at 301.

undergo therapy, resolving other issues which may be exacerbating psychological stress or dysphoria. As noted by the Dutch clinic, “[T]he adolescents in this study received extensive family or other social support . . . [and they] were all regularly seen by one of the clinic’s psychologists or psychiatrists.”<sup>19</sup> One is actively treating the person, while carefully “watching” the dysphoria.

### **3. Follow-Up Studies of Puberty Blockers and Cross-Sex Hormones**

29. A Very many strong claims have appeared in the media and on social media asserting that transition results in improved mental health or, contradictorily, in decreased mental health. In the highly politicized context of gender and transgender research, many outlets have cited only the findings which appear to support one side, cherry-picking from the complete set of research reports. It total, there have been 11 prospective outcomes studies following up gender dysphoric children undergoing medically induced suppression of puberty or cross-sex hormone treatment. Four studies failed to find evidence of improvement in mental health functioning at all, and some groups deteriorated on some variables.<sup>20</sup> Five studies successfully identified evidence of improvement, but because patients received psychotherapy along with medical services, which of those treatments caused the improvement is unknowable.<sup>21</sup> In the remaining two studies, both psychotherapy and medical interventions were provided, but the studies were designed in such a way as to allow the effects of psychotherapy to be separated from the effects of the puberty-blocking medications.<sup>22</sup> As detailed in the following, neither identified benefits of medication over psychotherapy alone.

#### **a. Four studies found no mental health improvement**

30. A Carmichael, *et al.* (2021) recently released its findings from the Tavistock

<sup>19</sup> de Vries, *et al.*, 2011, at 2280-2281.

<sup>20</sup> Carmichael, *et al.*, 2021; Hisle-Gorman, *et al.*, 2021; Kaltiala, *et al.*, 2020; Kuper, *et al.*, 2020.

<sup>21</sup> de Vries, *et al.*, 2011; Tordoff, *et al.*, 2022; van der Miesen, *et al.*, 2020.

<sup>22</sup> Achille, *et al.*, 2020; Costa, *et al.*, 2015.

and Portman clinic in the U.K.<sup>23</sup> Study participants were ages 12–15 (Tanner stage 3 for natal males, Tanner stage 2 for natal females) and were repeatedly tested before beginning puberty-blocking medications and then every six months thereafter. Cases exhibiting serious mental illnesses (e.g., psychosis, bipolar disorder, anorexia nervosa, severe body-dysmorphic disorder unrelated to gender dysphoria) were excluded. Relative to the time point before beginning puberty suppression, there were *no* significant changes in any psychological measure, from either the patients' or their parents' perspective.

31.Ā In Kuper, *et al.* (2020), a multidisciplinary team from Dallas published a prospective follow-up study which included 25 youths as they began puberty suppression.<sup>24</sup> (The other 123 study participants were undergoing cross-sex hormone treatment.) Interventions were administered according to practice guidelines from the Endocrine Society.<sup>25</sup> Their analyses found *no statistically significant changes* in the group undergoing puberty suppression on any of the nine measures of wellbeing measured, spanning tests of body satisfaction, depressive symptoms, or anxiety symptoms.<sup>26</sup> Notably, whereas the Dutch Protocol includes age 12 as a minimum for puberty suppression treatment, this team provided such treatment beginning at age 9.8 years (full range: 9.8–14.9 years).<sup>27</sup>

32.Ā Hisle-Gorman, *et al.* (2021) analyzed military families' healthcare data to compare 963 transgender and gender-diverse youth before versus after hormonal treatment, with their non-gender dysphoric siblings as controls. The study participants included youth undergoing puberty-blocking as well as those undergoing cross-sex hormone treatment, but these subgroups did not differ from each other. Study participants had a mean age of 18 years when beginning the study, but their

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<sup>23</sup> Carmichael, *et al.*, 2021.

<sup>24</sup> Kuper, *et al.*, 2020, at 5.

<sup>25</sup> Kuper, *et al.*, 2020, at 3, referring to Hembree, *et al.*, 2017.

<sup>26</sup> Kuper, *et al.*, 2020, at Table 2.

<sup>27</sup> Kuper, *et al.*, 2020, at 4.

initial clinical contacts and diagnoses occurred at a mean age of 10 years. According to the study, “mental health care visits overall did not significantly change following gender-affirming pharmaceutical care,”<sup>28</sup> yet, “psychotropic medication use increased,”<sup>29</sup> indicating *deteriorating* mental health.

33.Ā Kaltiala et al. (2020) similarly reported that after cross-sex hormone treatment, “Those who had psychiatric treatment needs or problems in school, peer relationships and managing everyday matters outside of home continued to have problems during real-life.”<sup>30</sup> They concluded, “Medical gender reassignment is not enough to improve functioning and relieve psychiatric comorbidities among adolescents with gender dysphoria. Appropriate interventions are warranted for psychiatric comorbidities and problems in adolescent development.”<sup>31</sup>

#### **b.ĀFive studies confounded psychotherapy and medical treatment**

34.Ā The initial enthusiasm for medical blocking of puberty followed largely from early reports from the Dutch clinical research team suggesting at least some mental health improvement.<sup>32</sup> It was when subsequent research studies failed to replicate those successes that it became apparent that the successes were due, not to the medical interventions, but to the psychotherapy that accompanied such interventions in most clinics, including the Dutch clinic.

35.Ā The Dutch clinical research team followed up a cohort of youth at their clinic undergoing puberty suppression<sup>33</sup> and later cross-hormone treatment and surgical sex reassignment.<sup>34</sup> The youth improved on several variables upon follow-up as compared to pre-suppression measurement, including depressive symptoms and

<sup>28</sup> Hisle-Gorman, et al., 2021, at 1448.

<sup>29</sup> Hisle-Gorman, et al., 2021, at 1448, emphasis added.

<sup>30</sup> Kaltiala et al., 2020, at 213.

<sup>31</sup> Kaltiala et al., 2020, at 213.

<sup>32</sup> de Vries, et al., 2011; de Vries, et al., 2014

<sup>33</sup> de Vries, et al., 2011.

<sup>34</sup> de Vries, et al., 2014.

general functioning. No changes were detected in feelings of anxiety or anger or in gender dysphoria as a result of puberty suppression; however, natal females using puberty suppression suffered *increased* body dissatisfaction both with their secondary sex characteristics and with nonsexual characteristics.<sup>35</sup>

36.Ā As the report authors noted, while it is possible that the improvement on some variables was due to the puberty-blockers, it is also possible that the improvement was due to the mental health support, and it is possible that the improvement occurred only on its own with natural maturation. So any conclusion that puberty blockers improved the mental health of the treated children is not justified by the data. Because this study did not include a control group (another group of adolescents matching the first group, but *not* receiving medical or social support), these possibilities cannot be distinguished from each other. The authors of the study were explicit in noting this themselves: “All these factors may have contributed to the psychological well-being of these gender dysphoric adolescents.”<sup>36</sup>

37.Ā In a 2020 update, the Dutch clinic reported continuing to find improvement in transgender adolescents’ psychological functioning, reaching age-typical levels, “after the start of specialized transgender care involving puberty suppression.”<sup>37</sup> Unfortunately, because the transgender care method of that clinic involves both psychosocial support and puberty suppression, it again cannot be known which of those (or their combination) is driving the improvement. Also, the authors indicate that the changing demographic and other features among gender dysphoric youth might have caused the treated group to differ from the control group in unknown ways. As the study authors noted again, “The present study can, therefore, not provide evidence about the direct benefits of puberty suppression over time and long-

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<sup>35</sup> Biggs, 2020.

<sup>36</sup> de Vries, *et al.* 2011, at 2281.

<sup>37</sup> van der Miesen, *et al.*, 2020, at 699.