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WPATH and USPATH Respond to American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS) Position Statement

As the leading global professional organization for clinicians, researchers, and experts in the field of transgender healthcare, WPATH and its U.S. affiliate, USPATH, continue to support the Standards of Care’s cautious guardrails and criteria provided for adolescents to access surgical care. These guardrails acknowledge that there is no definitive age or “one-size-fits-all” approach for every patient, which is why they are built on case-by-case assessments, involve experts on adolescent development, and are designed to support thoughtful and ethical shared decision-making in a multidisciplinary field. WPATH and USPATH stand firm in their commitment to advancing evidence-informed clinical guidelines to help improve the lives and well-being of transgender people around the world.

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About WPATH: The World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, interdisciplinary professional and educational organization devoted to transgender health. Our professional, supporting, and student members engage in academic research to develop evidence-based medicine and strive to promote a high quality of care for transsexual, transgender, and gender-nonconforming individuals internationally. We are funded primarily through the support of our membership, and through donations and grants sponsored by noncommercial sources.

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