Poll: Americans are Wary of Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation Ideology and Policy’s Impact on Minors

Majority Oppose Forcing Transgender Agenda on Employers, Doctors, and Children

GENDER IDENTITY, EMPLOYERS, AND DOCTORS

Q: Should employers and insurers be required by the federal government to cover the cost of gender transition treatments?

- No: 66%
- Don’t know/prefer not to say: 14%
- Yes: 19%

Q: Should doctors and medical professionals be required to perform gender transition procedures regardless of conscientious objection or their best medical judgement?

- No: 59%
- Don’t know/prefer not to say: 22%
- Yes: 19%

GENDER IDENTITY AND CHILDREN

Q: Should high school boys be allowed to compete on girls’ sports teams if they identify as girls?

- No: 58%
- Don’t know/prefer not to say: 19%
- Yes: 23%

Q: Should minors be allowed to receive medical interventions for the purpose of gender transition, such as puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, and sex-change surgeries?

- No: 57%
- Don’t know/prefer not to say: 24%
- Yes: 19%

Q: Should schools allow students to use the restrooms, showers, and locker rooms of the opposite biological sex if they identify as transgender?

- No: 53%
- Don’t know/prefer not to say: 24%
- Yes: 23%

Q: Should students be required by law to use “preferred pronouns” at school, calling a boy who identifies as a girl “her” or a girl who identifies as a boy “him,” or addressing a student by a new gender-specific name?

- No: 43%
- Don’t know/prefer not to say: 27%
- Yes: 30%

SOURCE: Online survey using a national representative sample of 1,513 U.S. adults conducted July 31, 2020, with a margin of error of +/-3.1 percentage points.

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Americans Support Flexibility in Private Responses to Gender Dysphoria

Q: Should minors with gender dysphoria be allowed to receive counseling to help them accept their bodies rather than undergoing gender transition?

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Q: Should potential foster parents be required by state or federal government to affirm their foster child’s gender identity, or should they be allowed to follow their best judgment about what is best for their foster child?

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