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TRANSGENDER IDENTITY DEVELOPMENT ACROSS THE LIFESPAN: IMPLICATIONS FOR EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE. #



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TALK ABSTRACT

Most research on transgender identity and the health needs of transgender and gender nonconforming people has focused on the period of transition within a binary paradigm of sex / gender. However, gender identity, gender expression, and sexuality are diverse and evolve over the course of a person's lifetime. This presentation will present an alternative paradigm; report on preliminary findings of an NIH-funded longitudinal study of trans identity development, vulnerability and resilience; and discuss the implications for transgender care. This will include a critical perspective on the benefits and potential risks of early medical intervention. Recommendations for future transgender health research will be discussed.