

March 17, 2025

**RESCISSION OF VHA DIRECTIVE 1341(4), PROVIDING HEALTH CARE FOR
TRANSGENDER AND INTERSEX VETERANS**

1. To comply with Executive Order 14168, dated January 20, 2025, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) hereby rescinds Veterans Health Administration (VHA) Directive 1341(4), Providing Health Care for Transgender and Intersex Veterans, dated May 23, 2018. A prior draft rescission was erroneously promulgated on March 14, 2025, and is void.
2. VA affirms its commitment to providing respectful and dignified care to all Veterans.
3. Veterans who have a current diagnosis or history of, or exhibit symptoms consistent with gender dysphoria, shall receive cross-sex hormone therapy only if:
 - a. Such Veterans are already receiving such care by VA as of the date of this notice;
or
 - b. Such care was provided as part of and upon separation from military service, if otherwise qualified for VA Health Care.
4. Veterans who do not meet the criteria in paragraph 3 above are not eligible for cross-sex hormone therapy through VA Health Care.
5. Veterans who have a diagnosis or history of, or exhibit symptoms consistent with gender dysphoria, shall continue to receive comprehensive health care, which includes preventive and mental health care.
6. VA does not provide any other medical or any surgical therapy for gender dysphoria.
7. All inquiries concerning this action should be addressed to M. Christopher Saslo, DNS, APRN-BC, FAANP, Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Patient Care Services/Chief Nursing Officer (12PCS) at christopher.saslo@va.gov.
8. This VHA notice is scheduled for recertification on or before the last working day of March 2030. This notice will continue to serve as national VHA policy until it is recertified or rescinded.
9. This notice is effective upon publication.

/s/ Acting Under Secretary for Health
Steven L. Lieberman, M.D.

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