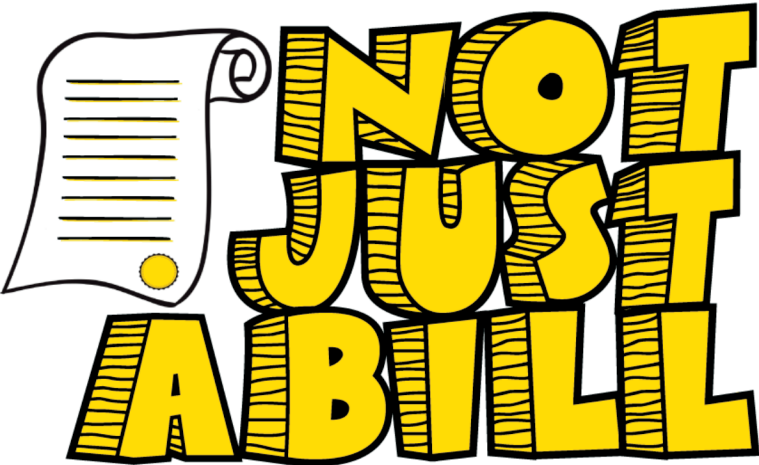




**IT'S THE LEGAL  
DESTRUCTION OF  
A SOUND SOCIETY**

# STATE OF INDIANA

## SUPPORT

### SB 480

Prohibits physicians from knowingly providing gender transition procedures to a minor.

### DID YOU KNOW?

According to the NIH, Informed Consent is the process in which a health care provider educates a patient about the risks, benefits, and alternatives of a given procedure or intervention. Informed consent is both an ethical and legal obligation of medical practitioners in the US and originates from the patient's right to direct what happens to their body.

### Children and Informed Consent

According to the NIH, Children (typically under 17) cannot provide informed consent. As such, parents must permit treatments or interventions. In this case, it not termed "informed consent" but "informed permission."

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK430827/>

## CONTACT YOUR REPS

One of the most powerful ways to impact change is through awareness and making your voice heard. Visit the link below to contact your representatives.  
[www.iga.in.gov](http://www.iga.in.gov)

## THE FACTS

### DID YOU KNOW?

**According to NIH, Adolescence is an important time for brain development.**

The brain finishes developing and maturing in the mid-to-late 20s. The part of the brain behind the forehead, called the prefrontal cortex, is one of the last parts to mature. This area is responsible for skills like planning, prioritizing, and making good decisions.

**According to NIH, Mental illnesses may begin to appear during adolescence.**

Ongoing changes in the brain, along with physical, emotional, and social changes, can make teens more likely to experience mental health problems. The fact that all these changes happen at one time may explain why many mental illnesses—such as schizophrenia, anxiety, depression, bipolar disorder, and eating disorders—emerge during adolescence.

Sources:  
[www.nimh.nih.gov/health/publications/the-teen-brain-7-things-to-know](http://www.nimh.nih.gov/health/publications/the-teen-brain-7-things-to-know)

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