

CTH Response to Transphobic Legislation

Charlotte Trans Health is dedicated to improving health outcomes and decreasing health and healthcare disparities within the transgender and non-binary community. This means staying up to date on scientific research, evidence informed healthcare practices, and best approaches to assess and treat individualized patient needs. We want to express our opposition to the array of legislation introduced in North Carolina, and throughout the US, which targets the care of transgender patients, particularly youth, and those who provide their care. These bills are unethical, misleading, and harmful in their entirety. Not only are minors targeted by many of these bills, but these efforts also impact trans adults and parents of trans youth. We know transgender and non-binary individuals of all ages, and their families, rely on physicians and therapists with specialized training and experience in this field and we completely oppose these bills.

We understand these bills are clearly a direct attack on trans individuals and an attempt to disempower and punish medical professionals for following their ethics and the research. Passage of these bills can only contribute to devastating loss of best practice medical decisions between interdisciplinary medical providers and the patients who trust them in making thoughtful and lifesaving care decisions. Healthcare should be led by those who are educated in their areas of specialty, the ethical standards of their professions, and those who need care, not by politicians.

Trans healthcare is life-saving care and trans rights are human rights. In Solidarity- Charlotte Trans Health