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Dear AHRC, please accept and publish my submission on the Trans and Gender Diverse rights project. Thank you. Dr Philip Morris AM.

Submission

I am aware that the AHRC has been commissioned to undertake a review on Trans and Gender Diverse rights.

As part of the AHRC review, I am sure you will be examining both the domestic and international literature on the subject matter. As you are no doubt aware, over the past four years there has been a considerable revision of medical thinking and approaches with respect to gender-affirming care, especially as it relates to children and adolescents. In the United Kingdom as well as in Finland, Sweden, Norway and Denmark, a more cautious approach to the medical transition (using puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, and sexual reassignment surgery) of children and adolescents who may be or are gender dysphoric, has become established. As a result, there is currently no settled medical consensus as to what approach is best for children and adolescents who find themselves in these circumstances. I expect that the AHRC review is taking into account these new developments. References to the relevant literature are cited in the National Association of Practising Psychiatrists (NAPP) Guide to the Management of Gender Dysphoria in Young People (see attached and the link below). You will be aware the Royal Australian & New Zealand College of Psychiatrists recently published their Position Statement titled *The role of psychiatrists in working with Trans and Gender Diverse people* dated December 2023 that also highlights the importance of openness to interventions that may extend to psychosocial interventions including psychotherapy (see link below).

I hope this information provided above is of assistance to the AHRC with the work being undertaken.

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- <https://napp.org.au/2023/12/napp-statement-on-gender-dysphoria-in-young-people/>
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Yours sincerely,

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