



Editorial on gender affirming surgery

This series of *Annals of Translational Medicine* presents a collection of original and review articles on the current state of the art in gender affirming medicine. Over the last several years, the rate of gender affirming services has increased exponentially. This has brought a great opportunity for medical care providers to work in a multidisciplinary fashion, in order to offer different lines of treatments never provided before. This is reflected in better access and myriad opportunities for the transgender community to reach the healthcare they deserve in an expedited fashion. The opportunity to reflect upon the experience acquired in the last several years regarding clinical outcomes, research and patient satisfaction, has allowed us to standardize clinical management and, at the same time, leave room to innovate and be at the forefront in the field of transgender medicine.

We are extremely thankful to all the authors for their invaluable contributions to this series, as we gathered some of the most experienced healthcare providers in the field of transgender medicine to offer a compilation of the most current evidence-based medicine in this field.

We hope you find these manuscripts to be educational and inspiring. We believe this series will not only provide clinically relevant information to surgeons and other healthcare providers involved in transgender medicine, but will also serve as the foundation to the growth of the transgender literature.

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