

CAN YOU SEE ANYTHING? AM I A BOY, OR A GIRL?

*All men are liars, said Roberta Muldoon,
who knew this was true because she had once been a man.*

John Irving, *The World According to Garp*

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For those who have read *WTF Is Happening To Us?* and have been following my blogs, you will already be aware of my adversarial position on gender dysphoria and the performance of trans-gender treatment on children and teenagers, many of whom have not yet experienced puberty. I am not against such treatment being performed on adults who have experienced puberty and have sufficient life-experience to know, unequivocally, that they are in the wrong body.

We have had little feedback as to what percentage of trans-gender patients are truly happy with their choice, but we are now witnessing a growing band of those who have undergone irreversible trans-gender treatment who wished they never had. There is an old adage that goes... *Act in haste and repent at leisure*. How appropriate is that?

I have growing concern over the sequence of events that precede the fateful day when treatment begins. Much of the blame can be laid at the feet of left-wing schoolteachers and school counsellors who are not sufficiently trained, and have no right to implant their unqualified agenda into the minds of those who have not yet developed the ability to reason. By the time these children are referred for more professional counselling, I suspect most have been brain-washed into believing they are living in the wrong body. Please read my paper... *What are we doing to the minds of our youth?*

It's not just the schoolteachers and counsellors who are to blame. In early May 2021, I had two patients relate events to me that I found upsetting. The first, a male, stated he had encountered a couple he knew, but were not intimate friends, while shopping. It took a moment for him to realize the couple's four-year old son was dressed as a girl, complete with a hairbow.

A week later, a female patient who was still shell-shocked from her experience, recounted that she had just come from dropping her child off at pre-school. The teacher was distraught, stating that a mother had dropped off her four-year old daughter who was dressed as a boy, complemented by a short haircut. The mother stated that 'they' did not believe in gender identification and would dress 'their' child as 'they' thought fit, until 'they' decided what gender 'their' child should be. What chance does a kid like that have?

I'm not a fan of big government, but there are those among us who believe even more should be legislated. For example, it was only few years ago that installing dry-wall (Gyprock) was not considered a trade. Now the installer is required to have a licence to hang, another to tape, and yet another to install cornice, yet there are no restrictions as to who can have children, nor should there ever be. The alternative conjures up images that are too frightening to even contemplate.

Being very much involved in genetics, epigenetics, cerebral function and plasticity, I wonder just how many criminals and malcontents are born as a result of selective (or perhaps non-selective) breeding. Of course, any attempt to introduce such controls would be contrary to just about everything else I believe in and would constitute an abomination.

Always looking on the bright side of life, I read of the actions of one trans-gender young person who was unhappy to find herself trapped in a body she no longer wanted. I refer here to an article by Becky McCall and Lisa Nainggolan, published on Medscape Medical News in 2021. The title of the paper is *Transgender Teens: Is the Tide Starting to Turn?* Their subject was Keira Bell, a 24-year-old British woman who lives daily with the regret of transitioning to male gender in her teens. She received puberty blockers after just a few appointments at a gender clinic, and later progressed to injecting testosterone. By age 20, she had undergone a double mastectomy.

On December 1, 2020, Keira won a High Court action against Gender Identity Development Service (GIDS), the only institution in the United Kingdom that treats people under age 18 with gender dysphoria as part of the free National Health Service. Keira claimed that clinicians should have challenged her more about the decision to transition before starting medical treatment.

A 36-page High Court ruling stated that young people under age 16 with gender dysphoria (people whose sex at birth is contrary to the gender they identify with) cannot give informed consent for treatment with puberty blockers—drugs that aim to halt normal puberty. It also directed that clinicians should seek court approval before treating any gender dysphoric person under age 18 years with 'affirmative' medical therapy. The decision is currently being appealed.

One can only assume the appeal has been lodged by the respondent GIDS, using taxpayer's money, which raises the question, why? Is it on behalf of the many children yet to come who will be denied this recondite treatment, or is it the jobs of those on the medical side who we should consider have abandoned the Hippocratic Oath that demands... *First, do no harm.*

In a self-contradictory report issued by GIDS, it claims an in-house study showed no changes in quality of life, psychological function, or degree of gender dysphoria in 44 children who took puberty blockers for up to 3 years.

On the downside, the study identified adverse effects associated with the treatment, often irreversible, that include suppression of bone mineral density and growth, deepening of the voice, facial hair, clitoral growth to resemble penises in girls taking testosterone, possible infertility and sexual dysfunction in both girls and boys. Long-term adverse effects include but are not limited to osteoporosis, thromboembolic events (blood clots), cardiovascular disease, and malignancies. Call me dumb, but how could these unnecessarily induced adverse conditions possibly be considered as not being quality of life game-changers?

Almost 100% of kids taking puberty blockers, which GIDS describe as a 'pause' button, to give children more time to consider their options, continue on to include cross-sex hormones, suggesting the kids were effectively on a one-way path to transitioning medically from the very outset.

Further, the article did not address surgical intervention involving the construction of imitation penises and vaginas which I have addressed elsewhere.

As a former soldier, sailor and cop, there is little I haven't seen in my long life, but I can emphatically state that the bodies I have seen that were mutilated in industrial and vehicular accidents, died from gunshot wounds, tops of heads blown off, hanged, stabbed, burned alive, and even recovered from makeshift graves, were experiences that did not upset me as much as the revulsion I get from this immoral assault on the lives, health and bodies of so many innocent and ill-informed young people.

Praise to you Keira, and best of luck with the appeal, and in reconciling the rest of your life. I salute your bravery.

In my final salvo I appeal to the concerned people of this world to step up to the plate and mount a global assault in an attempt to outlaw this heinous and reprehensible act being perpetrated on children that is contrary to any moral or plausible human tenet. Let's also go to the root cause and take legal action against those unqualified persons who have taken it upon themselves to intervene in matters that are above their pay-grade, and should not be of concern to them.

I sometimes wonder if a frontal lobe lobotomy of the brain (as in the book and movie, *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*) is a prerequisite to becoming WOKE, or to qualifying as a Greenie?
