



American Family Association of Pennsylvania Weekly Update

Seeking to Expose Attacks on Faith, Family and Freedom with a few wins thrown in!

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Check Our Recent Interview

Guest: Dr. Michelle Cretella, ACPEDES - letter to Surgeon General re minor children and “trans therapy”

News From Around PA

A Philly judge has disqualified **Sherrie Cohen from running for City Council** as an independent in November because she was too late in withdrawing from the primary election to run in the general as an Independent. One of Cohen’s opponents for the at-large-seat was a transgender. This individual lost in the primary.

Recently announced at the Philadelphia Police LGBT Liaison Committee meeting: In 2020, every police officer in Philadelphia will receive **LGBTQ competency training**. Recruits and detention unit staff are already trained, but this renewed effort will focus on educating all - including those who have been on the force for years.

The **University of Pennsylvania’s Alice Paul Center** for Research on Gender, Sexuality and Women is launching an

initiative to document the oft-overlooked stories of trans, nonbinary and gender-nonconforming individuals in Philadelphia and across the country. “

Greater Erie Alliance for Equality hosted a reception for the PA Commission on LGBTQ Affairs and the Mayor’s LGBTQ+ Advisory Council on August 9th.

News From National Scene

U.S. District Judge William Conley (an Obama nominee) has ruled that **Wisconsin’s Medicaid program must cover “gender affirmation health care”** i.e. sex ‘reassignment surgery’ and hormone treatments.

A new study out of **Rutgers University** found, “A lack of gender-affirming knowledge among health care providers and difficulties accessing medical care places pregnant trans men at a higher risk of experiencing depression and avoiding care.” (Note: These are biological females who identify as male. Recently one such individual went to an ER complaining of stomach pains. She presented as a male and did not tell the doctors she was really a female. Result: stillborn baby.)

Two survivors of the 2016 **Pulse night club shooting** have left the homosexual lifestyle and will be taking part in the Freedom March in Orlando on September 14. This is an effort to proclaim “freedom from the homosexual/transgender lifestyles by the grace and power of Jesus Christ.”

Vermont legislators are **considering changes to Medicaid** that would expand access to “gender confirmation surgery for transgender youths.” Currently sexually confused individuals must be 21 or older in order to have ‘sex reassignment surgery. Under the new law, minors who obtain parental consent would be eligible for the surgery! (Note: And how many parents will be told that if they don’t allow this surgery, their child will commit suicide??)

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