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Dear DOE OCR representative.

I would like to direct your attention to several articles that make clear that, unfortunately, there really is no way to unconditionally include transgender women and girls in women's sports in a way that is both safe and fair to female athletes. Any accommodations made for transgender athletes must ensure safety and fairness for female athletes. The below articles provide supporting evidence from published scientific papers and are presented in a clear, accessible format for non-scientists.

From Colin Wright, articles that discuss sex determination and sex differences.

### Sex Chromosome Variants Are Not Their Own Unique Sexes

Debunking of arguments against binary sex based on the existence of differences in sex development or intersex conditions.

### Dr. Eric Vilain Has Abandoned Facts for Ideology

This is a point-by-point debunking of several common arguments made by supporters of unrestricted access of trans girls and women to women's sports competitions.

From journalist Jesse Singal that discuss fairness in women's and girls' sports:

### Why So Many Progressives Are Arguing That Biological Sex Doesn't Exist

The beginning of the article focuses on trans athletes and the evidence for an unfair performance advantage over female athletes.

Fair Play for Women has an excellent section on the impact of sex differences, especially those unlikely to be affected by hormone levels, on athletic performance  
<https://fairplayforwomen.com/campaigns/sports-campaign/>

I would also like to note that, as a trained experimental psychologist, there are many studies that demonstrate that humans are very good at identifying the sex of other humans on sight due to skull/facial size and shape, gait, and voice. Concerns about invasive medical exams to determine sex are unfounded.

To do your own research on sex differences in athletic performance unlikely to be eliminated by hormone therapy, alone, focus on the field of Kinesiology.

Thank you for your attention.  
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