



HOUSE BILL 68

- Bill has two parts:
 - One seeking to **ban access to gender-affirming healthcare** for trans and gender non-conforming youth and
 - One to **prohibit trans girls/women from playing in sports** at K-12 and university level
- Key provisions of the policy:
 - Physicians **cannot continue previous gender affirming care** to minors
 - Mental health professionals cannot provide care to minors for gender-related conditions without consent from a guardian
 - A court **cannot deny parental rights** regarding gender transition
 - Assigned male at birth athletes cannot participate in women's high school or college sports

IMPACT

- Trans patients already encounter several barriers in seeking quality and affordable healthcare, including chest cancer screenings.
 - According to the 2015 U.S. Transgender Survey (USTS), negative experiences include verbal harassment or refusal of care (33% of respondents), lack of education among providers necessitating trans patients educating providers about their own care (24% of respondents), and avoidance of healthcare settings due to fear of mistreatment (23% of respondents).
- Suicide risk is increased by 70%
- Vague language could prevent people under 18 from accessing hormonal birth control
- Vague definition of "Gender reassignment surgery" could prevent other surgeries for minors as well

OUR STRATEGY

1. Build a more robust advocacy effort

to share patient stories of discrimination and the impact gender affirming care had on their quality of life

2. Networking with hospitals in other states

to provide access to gender-affirming care outside of Ohio

3. Outreach to trans/queer social groups

to determine how they would feel best supported by the city government

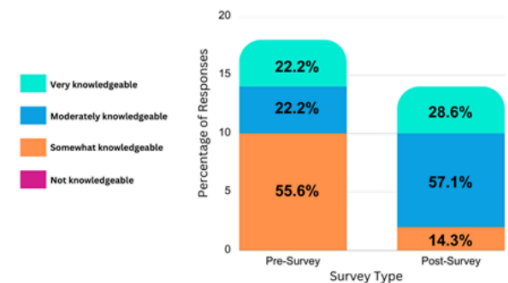
4. Poll Cincinnatians

to see current stance on bill

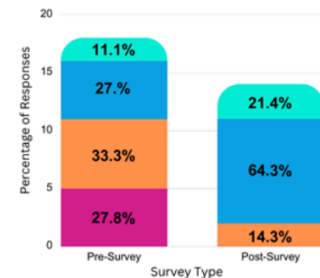
5. Put an issue on the ballot

to be voted on by constituents

A. How knowledgeable do you feel about the meaning of LGBTQIA+?



B. How knowledgeable do you feel about current breast cancer guidelines and recommendations for LGBTQIA+ patients?



C. How knowledgeable do you feel on ways to practice demonstrating support and a safe place for LGBTQIA+ patients?

