



# Gender Affirming Care for Transgender & Nonbinary Youth & Young Adults

**Tuesday, June 7th 11:00am – 1:30pm ET**

The Connecticut Behavioral Health Partnership in conjunction with the Connecticut Hospital Association is proud to sponsor a professional forum focusing on gender affirming care for transgender and nonbinary youth and young adults. It is available at no cost to you and offers NASW Continuing Education Credits (CECs) & Continuing Medical Education Credits (CMEs). Join leading experts to explore:

1. Differences among sexual orientation, assigned sex, gender identity, and gender expression
2. Best practices and language regarding identities, pronouns, and related interactions
3. Health disparities faced by transgender individuals and options to make any healthcare setting more affirming
4. Internal, external, and evidence-based protective factors impacting health
5. Interventions that impact an individual's gender journey, including hormonal treatment

## Presenters:



**Robin P. McHaelen, MSW**  
(she/her), Founder & Former  
Executive Director of True  
Colors, Inc., Author, Instructor



**Christy Olezeski, PhD**  
(she/her), Pediatric  
Psychologist, Associate  
Professor Yale School of  
Medicine, Director of Yale  
Pediatric Gender Program



**Susan Boulware, MD**  
(she/her), Pediatric Endocrinologist,  
Associate Professor Yale School of  
Medicine, Medical Director of Yale  
Pediatric Gender Program

## Additional Panelists:

- Jennifer X. Lopez (she/her), Student at Capitol Community College, Mentor for Trans Youth, Speaker, Volunteer
- Cal Benitex, (he/him) Student at UConn, Rainbow Center Major Programs Team Leader, Peer Advisor
- Ryan “Jay” Palica, MA, LPC (he/him), Director of Quality Analytics and Data Visualization, Beacon Health Options

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