

# GENDER-AFFIRMATIVE CLINICAL CONSULT GROUP:

*Supporting Transgender and Gender Diverse Folks*

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*This is a drop-in consultation group for all behavioral health staff within Santa Clara County who provide clinical care and community support to transgender, nonbinary, and gender diverse clients of all ages.*

The group will address a variety of topics in gender care.

Participants are encouraged to bring clinical questions, cases for consultation, and discussion items, including questions related to:

- Applying the Gender Affirmative Clinical Model
- Supporting parents, caregivers, and families
- Understanding discrimination and stigma, multiple marginalization and compounded minority stress
- Learning about resources
- Understanding the behavioral health clinician's role in gender affirmation
- Writing Letters of Support for medical gender affirmation

*Meeting First Fridays of each month from 9-11am on Zoom*

Registration on Zoom is required before participating the first time:

**[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/GACCG2023](https://tinyurl.com/gaccg2023)**

**Ben Geilhufe (he/him), Program Manager II**  
BHSD Gender Affirming Care Clinic

Ben has provided clinical training, teaching, and consultation on gender care in multiple Bay Area counties, and ran a private practice specializing in supporting individuals of all ages with gender exploration.



**Michelle Jio (she/her), LGBTQ+ Specialist**  
BHSD Downtown Behavioral Health



Michelle has experience providing therapy to children, adolescents, and adults in outpatient, school-based, hospital, custody, and crisis settings throughout County and community organizations.



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