Gender Diverse Oregon Medicaid Beneficiaries: Unmet Need for Gender Affirming Care

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Gender diversity

- » 20,000
- » 2015 expansion of Oregon's Medicaid program
 - Coverage of gender-affirming hormones







The prevalence of gender-affirming care use and unmet need is unknown







Study aim

» Compare unmet need for GAH among Medicaid beneficiaries to privately insured and uninsured Oregonians







Methods

- » OR Trans & Gender-Diverse Health Survey
- » N = 1346– (74% F/SAB, 26% MSAB)







Results

- » 713 private insurance
- » 465 Medicaid
- » 106 uninsured







Results

- » F/SAB
 - 47% vs 30%
- » M/SAB
 - 72% vs 70% vs 61%







Results

» No statistical differences

» 0.15 (p=0.04)







Discussion

» Medicaid vs privately insured

» Access barriers remain for uninsured

» National attention on gender-affirming care







Limitations

- » Convenience sample
- » No causal inference







Strengths

- » Growing body of work
- » Policies and best practices







Next steps

» Just getting started





