

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Dr. Kimmelman:

We are writing in regard to the U.S. Department of Justice's investigation of gender affirming care providers. It is our understanding that NYU Langone Health has received both civil and criminal subpoenas to share confidential information on patients and providers. We urge you to fight these ill-conceived subpoenas to the fullest extent of law.

NYU Langone ("Langone") was among several other healthcare institutions that received a grand jury subpoena from the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Texas. The subpoena seeks confidential information concerning minor patients (under 18 years of age) who received gender-affirming care at Langone between 2020 and 2026 as well as the names of Langone providers of that care. While more than 20 healthcare institutions have received civil administrative subpoenas from the Department of Justice ("DOJ") seeking similar, sensitive information, DOJ has escalated their intimidation tactics to issue this first known instance of a grand jury subpoena directed at a healthcare institution providing medically necessary care to transgender youth.

This shift from civil to criminal investigations is a momentous escalating effort by DOJ to relentlessly intimidate and chill doctors from offering necessary care and patients from receiving treatments they need, as we watch DOJ repeatedly lose in federal court in seeking records from their civil subpoenas. This is prosecutorial overreach. It is because New York State has a Shield Law that Langone was obligated to notify individuals that their protected health information is being sought in a criminal investigation. We note that gender-affirming care is legally protected in New York State, making the use of a Texas grand jury to target a New York institution particularly egregious and an affront to the laws of this state.

As you know, age-appropriate, necessary medical care for transgender youth is supported by every major medical association in the United States. The attempts to eviscerate this care have caused serious alarm to former and current Langone patients. We were deeply dismayed when Langone halted gender-affirming care for young patients earlier this year, a decision that has had a profound and unfortunate impact on vulnerable patients who depend on this medically necessary care. We urge Langone to consider restoring these services alongside fighting the subpoena.

It is imperative that institutions unfairly targeted by this DOJ resist these efforts to the fullest extent of the law. We strongly urge you to contest this subpoena, protect the health privacy of your patients, defend your employees from intrusive inquiries, and stand up for medically-necessary health care. Langone provides incredible care to so many people in our community, and over one million New Yorkers rely on these essential services every year. As an institution, standing up now is essential to continued community trust of Langone.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We are happy to discuss this with you at your convenience and are ready to assist in any efforts to stand up to DOJ's intimidation tactics.

Sincerely,



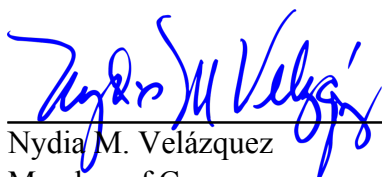
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