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Evers keeps promise to protect LGBTQ youth and protects physicians, parents, and kids from the unnecessary political interference of politicians.

MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers on Wednesday vetoed Assembly Bill 465, a bill passed by Republican members of the Wisconsin State Legislature banning gender-affirming care for minor patients with gender dysphoria. The governor has repeatedly signaled he would veto the bill as well as any other anti-LGBTQ legislation sent to his desk. Gender-affirming care is recognized by most major medical associations as the evidence-based treatment for transgender and gender-nonconforming youth with gender dysphoria. The American Medical Association, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Psychological Association, and the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry have all stated that gender-affirming care saves lives.

"I am vetoing this bill in its entirety because I object to restricting physicians from providing evidence-based and medically appropriate care to their patients, restricting parents from making decisions with physicians to ensure their kids receive the healthcare they need, and preventing patients from receiving that basic, lifesaving care," said Gov. Evers. "Healthcare providers should be trusted to provide medically appropriate and accurate information, treatment, and care for their patients without the unnecessary political interference of politicians.

## Governor Vetoes Bill Prohibiting Gender-Affirming Care in Wisconsin

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