# Perspectives and recommendations of the transgender community on the draft Gender Affirmation Law

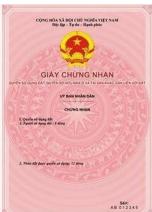
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The social and legal context affecting the lives and rights of

transgender persons















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## Transgender persons face many challenges

related to identification documents and other

issues after gender reassignment surgery

## **Issues to be discussed**

- Medical requirements for the legal gender recognition
- Age requirement for medical intervention and change of gender on documents
- Marital status before getting new legal gender recognition

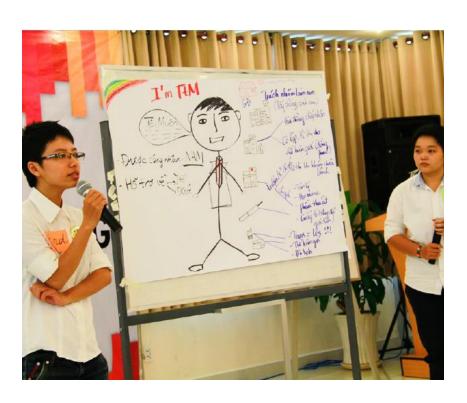
## **Recommendations from IT'S T TIME**

Recommendations	Implementers
Support the collaboration between health service providers, health scholars, and transgender organizations to conduct needs assessments and baseline surveys of the transgender persons' health needs.	Health policy makers and lawmakers, medical staff
Revise/develop national clinical guidelines on transgender-related health services according to the local context, based on international guidelines from WPATH and WHO, and regional guidelines in Asia	Health policy makers and lawmakers, medical staff
Assess the current needs and capacity to implement access to hormone therapy, including puberty suppressing hormones, and the mental health of young adolescents	State, health service providers, including clinics and health facilities (central and provincial levels)
Certification of biomedical interventions for body modification (hormone therapy) performed and supervised by trained and accredited professionals	Health policy makers and lawmakers, medical staff

# **Recommendations from IT'S T TIME**

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Identify current barriers to recognizing changes in legal gender, and take actions to ensure respect for the use of desired names, which may differ from those on documents; allowing access to facilities based on one's gender identity or gender expression	State, policy makers and health law makers
Research the experiences, medical and health care needs, and difficulties that transgender individuals, including transgender males and gender non-conforming people born female, face owing to the absence of legal gender recognition.	The State, social organizations and communities of transgender persons, scholars and intellectuals
Ensure that legal gender affirmation procedures are accessible, fair, non-discriminatory, and respectful of the dignity and privacy of transgender persons	State and representative agencies

## 2012-2013: THE DESIRE TO BE ORIGINAL SELF





# On November 24, 2015, the National Assembly approved Article 37 of the amended Civil Code



# 2015-2022: My rights



## Provide evidence-based feedback & encourage effective community engagement



#### Popular A4 Sheets:

- Birth certificate
- Extract of civil status change (Certificate of name change)
- New gender recognition certificate?
- Certificate of marriage
- Notification of employment
- Admission notice



What is the A4 sheet that you wish for?

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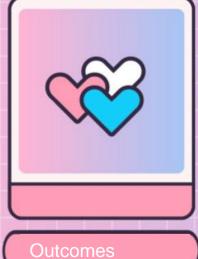
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