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Gender and Sexuality Development Program Annual Update 2021

The Gender & Sexuality Development Clinic (GSDC) was founded in January 2014 and with our exciting growth over the last few years we are pleased to share with you our sixth Annual Update. The clinic team provides medical care and psychosocial support for transgender and gender expansive children and adolescents and their families. The GSDC is a collaboration among the Divisions of Adolescent Medicine and Endocrinology, and the Departments of Behavioral Health, Social Work and Family Services at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia.

2021 has been a major phase of growth for our team. The strains of 2020 resulted in many local and regional clinics that support transgender and gender nonbinary children, youth and families reaching capacity due to staffing limits and/or program reductions. We were grateful that many of these families reached out to us for care. While we typically have averaged between 250 to 350 new families in a year, we welcomed more than 800 new families to our Gender & Sexuality Development Program in 2021.

This report shares more detail about the areas the program has been exploring, expanding and innovating throughout the year.

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