



2011 Transgender Achievements – References

Overviews:

Op-ed: 14 Reasons That Made 2011 Great for Trans People by Mara Keisling

<http://www.advocate.com/printArticle.aspx?id=245917>

2011 Was a Landmark Year for Trans Progress by Loree Cook-Daniels

<http://www.wisconsin Gazette.com/opinion/2011-was-a-banner-year-for-trans-progress.html>

Specific advances:

1. The American Congress of **Obstetricians and Gynecologists** issues an opinion directing its members to “assist or refer” transgender patients, and opposing anti-transgender discrimination.
http://www.acog.org/Resources_And_Publications/Committee_Opinions/Committee_on_Health_Care_for_Underserved_Women/Health_Care_for_Transgender_Individuals
2. **All new bills introduced into Congress** are appropriately trans-inclusive.
(See Keisling Op-Ed: <http://www.advocate.com/printArticle.aspx?id=245917>)
3. Four states and 13 localities **outlaw anti-transgender discrimination**.
(See Keisling Op-Ed: <http://www.advocate.com/printArticle.aspx?id=245917>)
4. **Chaz Bono** appears on *Dancing With the Stars*
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dsB1V9LhFA>
5. U.S. Secretary of State **Hillary Clinton addresses the United Nations on LGBT rights**, and the Administration directs embassies to assist in protecting and promoting LGBT rights.
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MudnsExyV78>
http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/europe/obama-administration-targets-anti-gay-discrimination-abroad/2011/12/06/gIQAUjbYaO_story.html
6. A federal appeals court rules that **Title VII outlaws employment discrimination** against transgender people.
<http://www.jacksonlewis.com/resources.php?NewsID=3977>
7. The **first sitting Cabinet Secretary** addresses a transgender event.
<http://metroweekly.com/poliglot/2011/11/hud-secretary-donovan-addresse.html>
8. U.S. government begins developing questions to determine **how many transgender people** are participating in various national surveys.
<http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2011pres/06/20110629a.html>



9. Harmony Santana becomes **first openly trans actor to get a major award** nomination.
http://www.huffingtonpost.com/asher-huey/harmony-santana-transgender-independent-spirit-award_b_1140182.html
10. The Human Rights Campaign reports that nearly **1/3 of the largest US corporations** are now covering transgender surgeries.
<http://pamshouseblend.firedoglake.com/2011/12/08/human-rights-campaigns-2012-corporate-equality-index-shows-gains-in-transgender-health-care-coverage/>
11. NCTE and GLSEN issue **model policies school districts** can use to protect transgender and gender non-conforming students
http://www.glsen.org/binary-data/GLSEN_ATTACHMENTS/file/000/001/1977-1.pdf
12. The **White House** hosts meeting with advocates to discuss what the federal government can do to address **anti-transgender violence**.
<http://forge-forward.org/2011/11/forge-attends-historic-white-house-convening-to-address-violence-against-transgender-people/>
13. Social Security Administration ceases issuing gender **“no match” letters** to employers.
<http://metroweekly.com/poliglot/2011/09/social-security-ends-gender-no.html>
14. World Professional Association for Transgender Health issues seventh, more progressive, **Standards of Care**
<http://www.wpath.org/documents/Standards%20of%20Care%20V7%20-%202011%20WPATH.pdf>
15. NCTE issues fact sheet publicizing **Medicare coverage** for transgender care.
http://transequality.org/Resources/MedicareBenefitsAndTransPeople_Aug2011_FINAL.pdf
16. **Veterans Administration** issues a Directive mandating that all VA facilities treat transgender veterans respectfully.
<http://transequality.org/PDFs/TransgenderVetsDirective2011.pdf>
17. **United Nations** passes first resolution focused solely on protecting people based on their sexual orientation and gender identity.
<http://ilga.org/ilga/static/uploads/files/2011/6/17/RESOLUTION%20L9rev1.pdf>
18. U.S. **Office of Personnel Management** issues progressive documents on transgender employees.
<http://www.opm.gov/diversity/Transgender/Guidance.asp>
19. **“Injustice at Every Turn: National Transgender Discrimination Study”** published.
http://www.thetaskforce.org/downloads/reports/reports/ntds_full.pdf
20. **Passports** with correct name and gender made much easier to get.
http://transequality.org/Resources/passports_2012.pdf