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## SRCD Endorses CAAPS Statement on Rapid-Onset Gender Dysphoria (ROGD)

SRCD endorsed the Coalition for the Advancement and Application of Psychological Science's (CAAPS) [position statement](#) that calls for the elimination of the use of Rapid-Onset Gender Dysphoria (ROGD) for clinical and diagnostic purposes.

The statement notes, “there are no sound empirical studies of ROGD and it has not been subjected to rigorous peer-review processes that are standard for clinical science. Further, there is no evidence that ROGD aligns with the lived experiences of transgender children and adolescents...The proliferation of misinformation regarding ROGD is also infiltrating policy decisions. Currently, there are over 100 bills under consideration in legislative bodies across the country that seek to limit the rights of transgender adolescents, many of which are predicated on the unsupported claims advanced by ROGD.”

As part of SRCD's mission to support diversity and inclusion in developmental science, SRCD endorses CAAPS' statement and continues to embrace a commitment to and support for diversity in all its forms. Read SRCD's [Statement in Support of Transgender and Gender Diverse Children and Youth](#) to learn more about our dedication to advancing science to safeguard the health and wellbeing of transgender children and youth.