

# GWU Medical Center Performs Intersex\* Genital Mutilation

\*Hermaphrodite; someone whose genitals are not clearly male or female

**American hospitals cut into 5 intersexed children every day, just to make their genitals look “normal.” Most will lose genital sensation. Many are cut at GWU Medical**

**Did you know...**

According to the American Academy of Pediatricians’ statement on Intersex Genital Mutilation, intersex children are genitally cut to minimize “**emotional, cognitive, and body image**” problems, and **not for medical reasons**. Intersex children need counseling, not cutting.

**Did you know...**

**GWU Prof Barry Belman says that non-complaining intersex children as young as 2 weeks to 2-3 years of age must be genitally cut.** Has he ever heard of “*informed consent?*”

**Did you know...**

Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) is *not* confined to Africa or so-called “primitive” cultures; it is alive and well here at GWU Medical Center..

**Hey Urology Prof. Barry Belman: Get Your Scalpels *Off* Our Bodies!!!**

**We're not quiet.  
We're not well-behaved.  
And we're not going away.**

A public service announcement from your local chapter of ***Hermaphrodites With Attitude*** (415)436-0585 (A boisterous group of former patients)