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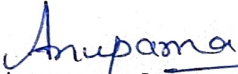
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# CHAPTER 1

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Introduction of transgender people

Transgender individuals are people whose gender identity differs from the sex assigned to them at birth. This mismatch can result in a psychological condition known as gender dysphoria, which often causes significant discomfort and distress. Some transgender people choose to undergo gender-affirming medical treatments, such as surgery or hormone therapy, to align their physical appearance with their gender identity. However, not every transgender person opts for these medical interventions.

Transgender individuals have been recognized in various cultures and throughout history, though the terminology and understanding of their experiences have evolved considerably over time. Many Indigenous cultures have acknowledged and accepted transgender people, often referred to as hijra or two-spirit individuals. In the 20th century, a modern understanding of transgender identity began to take shape, alongside advancements in psychology and medical practices. The term "transgender" became more widely used in the 1960s and 1970s. Despite ongoing discrimination and societal challenges, there has been significant progress in the recognition and acceptance of transgender identities.

Gender identity is a key concept in comprehending transgender identity. It refers to an individual's deeply held sense of their own gender, which may be male, female, a blend of both, or something else entirely. Gender identity does not always align with biological sex, which is determined by physical traits present at birth.

To prevent ambiguity, it is critical to establish a clear distinction among gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation. Your gender identity determines who you are, while your