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Hi Jamie.

I am hoping you can help us with a research project. Comparing notes, we are noticing that the only suicides of trans teens that we hear about are among those kids who are being supported and affirmed, and are transitioning or have transitioned. Leelah Alcorn being the only exception.

Since there are no national statistics that would allow us to test the hypothesis that transition may increase suicidality, we want to try to mine news reports to see what they show. Are you able to put your hands on as many reports of trans teen suicide stories as possible? We can possibly have someone analyze them to see if there are any conclusions that can be drawn.

Can you help?

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