

# Flurry of Trump Day One Executive Orders Includes Withdrawal from WHO and Elimination of Gender Identity

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Included in a number of Executive Orders (EOs) signed on his first day in office, President Trump directed the [U.S. to withdraw from the World Health Organization](#) (WHO) claiming mishandling of the organization's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, failure to undertake needed reforms and inequitable financial burden placed upon the U.S. compared to other participating nations. On the same day, President Trump issued an Executive Order that [only recognizes the biological sexes of male and female](#), prohibiting any Federal laws or regulations designed to accommodate gender identity that deviates from such assignments of sex at birth. Further, it prohibits the use of "gender" rather than "sex" in any Federal policies or documents.