



2025 Executive Order Statement

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The *Society for Sexual, Affectional, Intersex, and Gender Expansive Identities* (SAIGE) acknowledges that recent Executive Orders, such as *Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government*, *Protecting Children from Chemical and Surgical Mutilation*, and *Ending Radical Indoctrination in K-12 Schooling*, have generated fear, panic, confusion, and many other emotions among our membership and the LGBTGEQIAP+ communities that you serve. Although the realities of *if* and *how* these Orders will be enforced are yet to be seen, their basic tenets are in direct conflict with both SAIGE's [Vision](#), which is that of a world where LGBTGEQIAP+ people are respected, celebrated, and experience belonging, and the American Counseling Association's (2014) [Code of Ethics](#). Even so, SAIGE continues to execute its [Mission](#), resolved to support an individual's freedom to be the expert on themselves, to embrace their diverse identities, and to secure the rights to safety and dignity.

Your SAIGE Board is committed to the development and implementation of professional, educational, and advocacy initiatives to support you and the communities that you serve as we navigate the quickly evolving landscape. We encourage you to stay informed through engagement with trusted sources of information, continue your own advocacy work, and to intentionally pursue self-care and connection with your communities. SAIGE joins with our colleagues across ACA and its divisions in our commitment to “promoting social justice” and “honoring diversity and embracing a multicultural approach in support of the worth, dignity, potential, and uniqueness of people within their social and cultural contexts” (*ACA Code of Ethics*, 2014, p. 3).