Martin

Martin

- Martin is a 39 yo black transgender male who has been treated by you for the past 2 years. He uses he/him/his pronouns

- He transferred his care from another PCP who had started him on testosterone therapy 8 years ago

- Martin says that his old PCP knew nothing about trans health, and Martin had to teach the doctor about how to do CSHT

Martin

- He is well masculinized and happy with the effects of testosterone

- He had chest reconstruction 7 years ago

- He has never had any genital or pelvic surgery because he has heard stories about complications of genital surgery and is fearful of any medical problems or loss of sensation

- He admits he is afraid of surgeries in general

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- His current partner of 5 years identifies as a cis-female. They are quite sexually active, but Martin says he is always the "top"

- He reports he experimented with penetrative vaginal sex late in high school and he had unprotected sex with two male classmates on several occasions. He thinks that they were virgins before having sex with him

- He denies any type of penetrative sex since then

Martin

- Up until recently, he had never had a Pap test or pelvic examination done. He has always felt that he didn't need one

- At your repeated urging, he agrees to have a Pap test performed

- You do your best to be as gender affirming as possible during the examination, but afterwards he describes the experience as "humiliating" and painful

Martin

- The Pap test is read as normal; HPV testing is negative
- The patient calls you a month after you have delivered his test results and angrily tells you that his insurance is refusing to pay for the pelvic examination and Pap test because he is identified as male on his insurance, and this is not a covered service for male patients

Martin

- He wants to know what you are going to do about this bill

- He says he is considering filing an official complaint, reporting that you humiliated him and coerced him into having a test that he now has to pay for out of pocket