

DOCTOR BIBER

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Dr. Biber is a native of Iowa and was a MASH surgeon during the Korean War. He settled in Trinidad, Colorado in 1955, which now boasts a population of around 10,000, to provide medical service for the residents and the United Mine Workers. He is the only surgeon at the 75-bed Mt. San Raphael Hospital.

In 1969 a female social worker came into his office and asked if he could do her surgery. Dr. Biber replied, "Of course I can do your surgery. What is it?" It was then that the woman seated in his office said that she was a transsexual. Dr. Biber said, "What's that?" He then consulted with the doctors who had studied the patient's psychological make-up and prescribed her female hormones before consenting to do the operation. He wrote to Baltimore's John Hopkins University, then a major center for sex-change operations, for a set of how-to drawings. His first sex reassignment surgery was a success. Since that time, he has performed over a thousand sex reassignment surgeries with only 50-60 being done as the female-to-male operation. Even though other surgeons, medical schools and even John Hopkins University have given up this type of surgery, Dr. Biber's dedicated and skillful work has given Trinidad, Colorado the reputation of being the sex change capital of the world.

Doctor Biber describes himself as a country doctor who has no interest in getting rich at the expense of the transsexual person. He has a good reputation for producing a quality product and his fees are much less than those who charge twice as much and who do a lousy job. The 63 year old general surgeon has much of the local townspeople behind him and while only 20 percent of his surgeries are for sex reassignment, much of the profits from these go towards subsidizing some of the free medical services he provides.

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GENERAL INFORMATION ON:

DR. STANLEY BIBER
AND THE SEX REASSIGNMENT SURGERY
AVAILABLE IN TRINIDAD



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NOTICE

Be discrete in sharing this information. If you are a M-F pre-op transsexual, who is ready (or soon will be) for the surgery, then use this information for your benefit. If you have not started hormone therapy and full time crossliving, or if you could not at this time, be approved for surgery at any gender identity clinic, do not impose your curiosity upon Doctor Biber.

REQUIREMENTS

The requirements for surgery with Dr. Biber include a social history of yourself. Have you made the gender transition and have you been living and working completely in the gender role of your choice for at least one year? How long have you been on hormones? How complete is your electrolysis? What about cosmetic surgery to enhance your feminine features? Dr. Biber requires two psychiatric evaluations. One should be done by a psychiatrist and the other by a second psychiatrist, psychologist, or licensed worker from the gender or sex field. Dr. Biber's staff will do the final surgical evaluation. A recent photograph of yourself is also needed.

Once the surgical date is set, a deposit, made by money order, or certified bank check, is required to hold the date. This deposit must be received one week prior to the surgical date and is not refundable should you change your mind.

SURGICAL DESCRIPTION

After completing a bilateral castration, Dr. Biber performs the well perfected single-stage, penile inversion surgery, as formerly used at the John Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore. An actual physically structured working clitoris is formed and positioned above the urethral opening. The basic fee is \$3800 for the genital surgery, \$4875 for the hospital bill and \$125 for an assistant surgeon. The total is \$8800 (as of December 1987). If because of a very small penis, a skin graft is required in addition to the normal penile inversion procedure, an additional fee of \$500 will be charged.

OPTIONAL SURGERIES

Dr. Biber can perform additional surgeries for you during your stay in the hospital. These include breast implants, nose surgery or a tracheal shave. Any additional service will be billed extra. The hospital must receive cash at the time the surgery is done. Some insurance companies will pay part of this bill. Dr. Biber's staff will fill out your insurance forms for you and you may collect directly from the insurance company or be reimbursed for the insurance money sent to Dr. Biber.

HOSPITAL

To get to Trinidad, you should fly to Denver and take either the bus or the train from Denver to Trinidad. Take a taxi to Dr. Biber's office for your examination which will be in the morning. After you leave Dr. Biber's office, you may have lunch in town before you are admitted to Mt. San Rafael Hospital. You will be placed on a floor with other transsexuals patients. You will have a chance to meet and talk with them your first night in the hospital. Dr. Biber has a video tape of the surgery which you may watch. You will be operated on the next day and spend about ten days in the hospital if you have the SRS only. After you leave the hospital, you may stay in a local hotel until you feel strong enough to travel home. You can eat in the local cafe, buy clothes in the local store, and get your hormone prescriptions filled at the local pharmacy.