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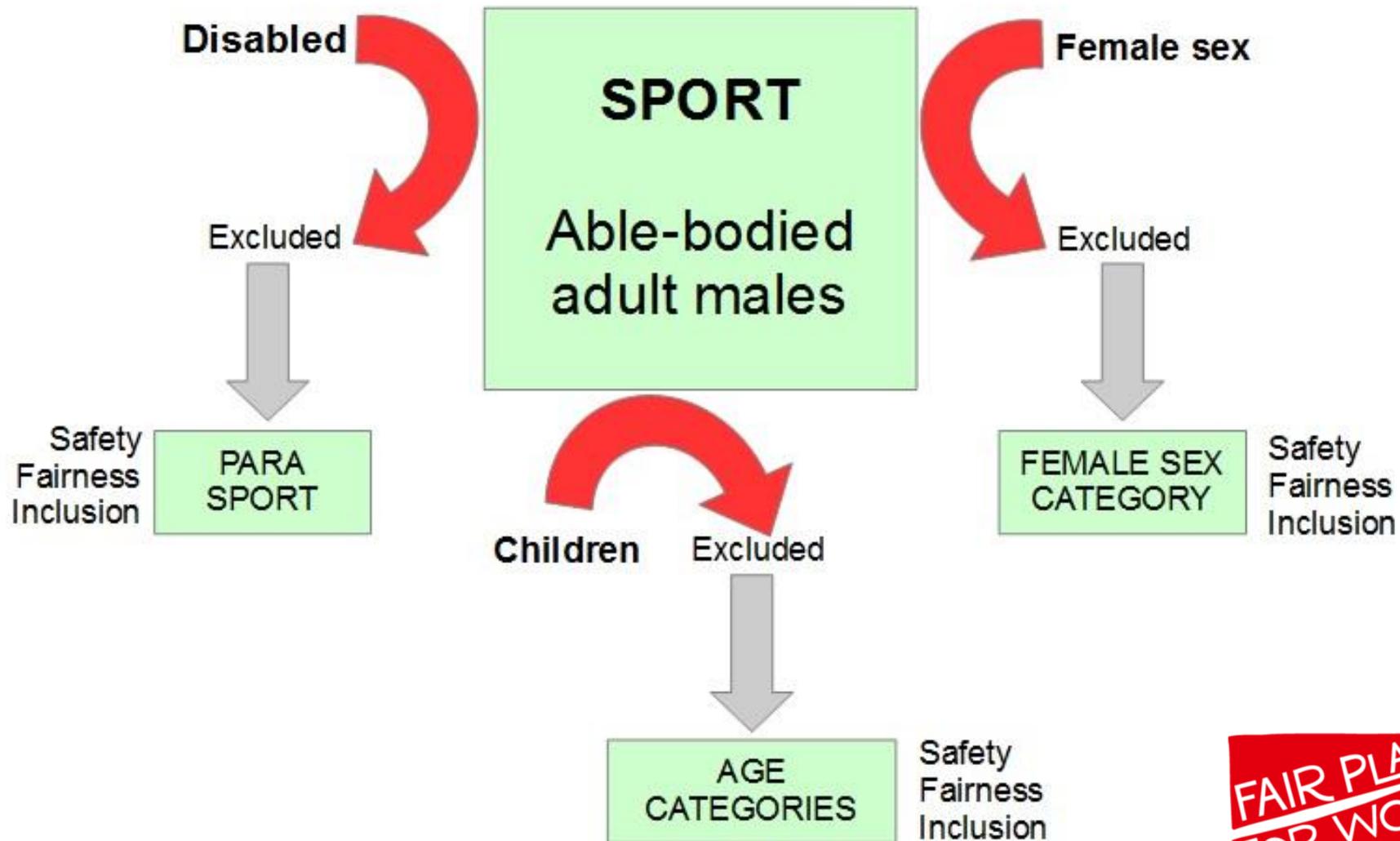
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**“While everyone has the right to play sport, no one has the right to play in any category they choose.”**



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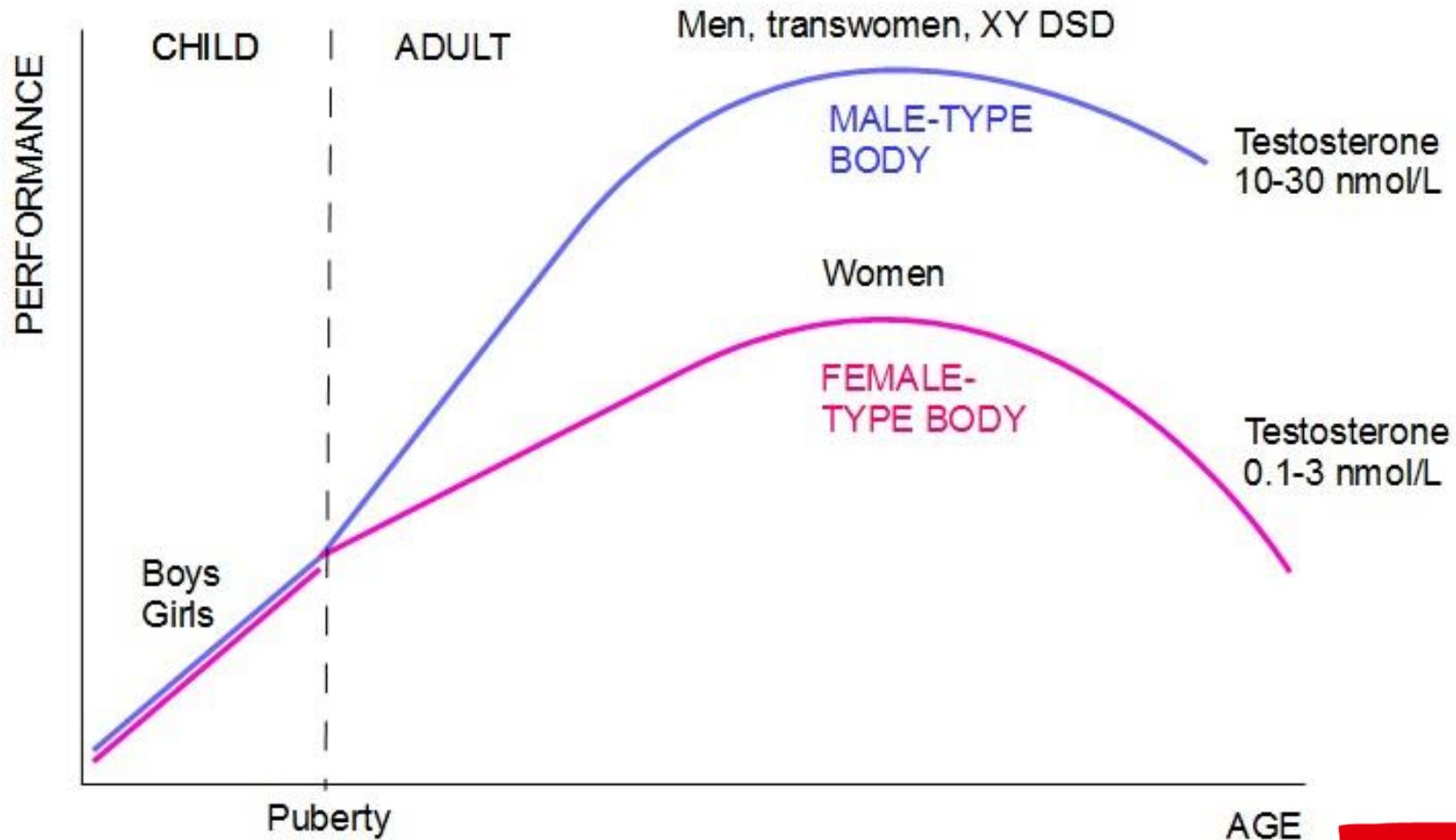
“Making the exception to allow some male-type bodies into the female category is **category defeating**”

1. Men have male-type bodies
2. Transwomen have male-type bodies
3. Some XY DSD have male-type bodies

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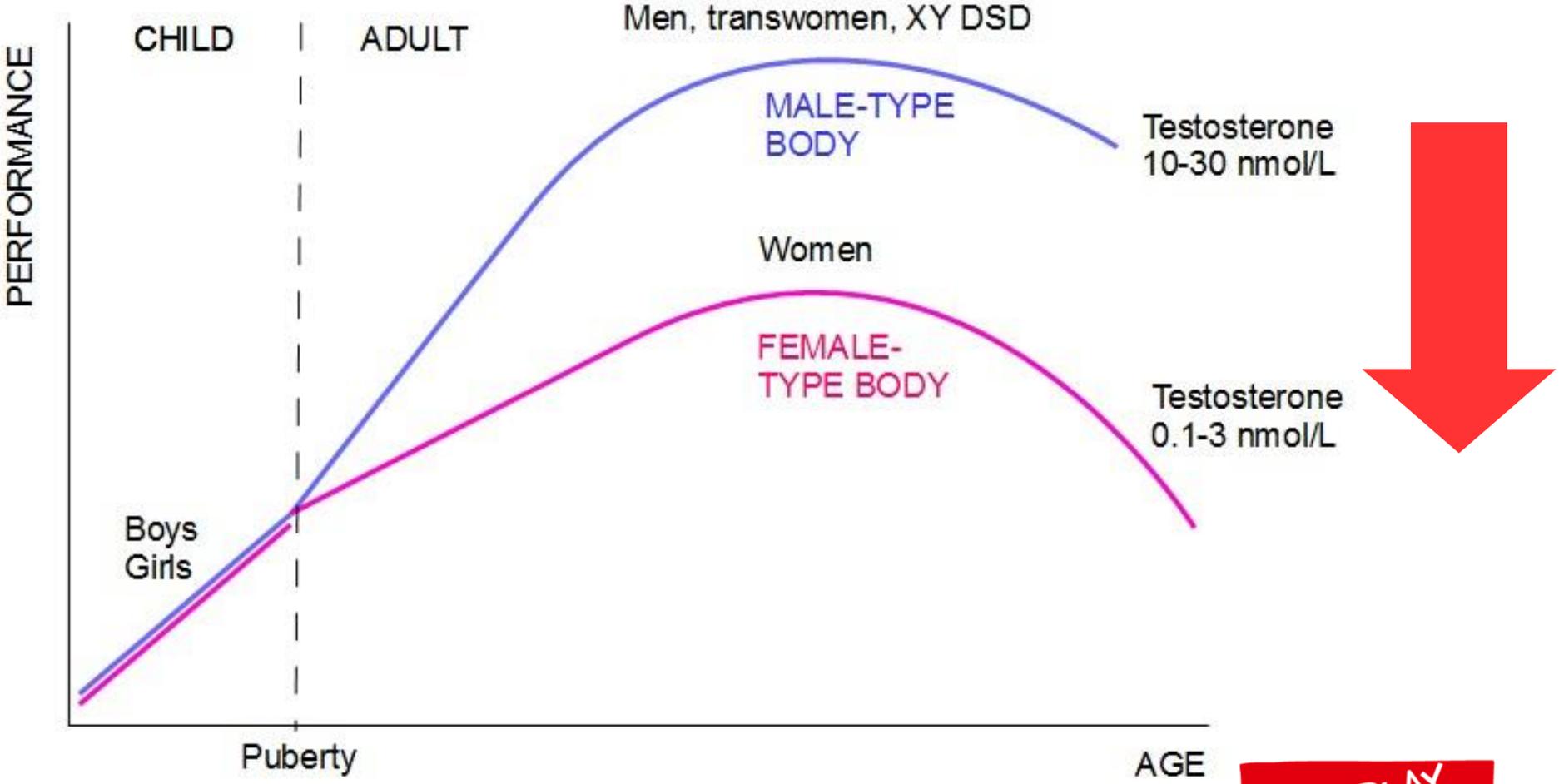
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# “Puberty determines the sex-type of adult body”



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“Testosterone suppression offered the **illusion** of an easy solution to a difficult problem.”



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# Too strong trans players in women's rugby are driving referees away



Kelly Morgan, trans woman rugby player: I do feel guilt but what can you do?

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# **“Women are losing confidence in the game and its regulatory bodies.”**

1. Lack of scientific evidence underpinning rules
2. Poor monitoring and implementation



## WORLD RUGBY TRANSGENDER POLICY

Date: March 15, 2019

**2.6:** *At the level of elite professional rugby, it is recommended that the principles in this Policy be followed. At lower levels, however, **less stringent** eligibility requirements may be imposed*

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# “**Novel variations** to meet the needs of under-represented groups.”

1. Gay Rugby League
2. Mixed Ability Rugby
3. Touch Rugby – mixed sex
4. Pathway for veterans
5. Open category



“Never at the **expense** of another  
protected group”

“Never by **ignoring** the performance  
differences between the groups”

**“Ignoring the performance gap  
between women and transwomen is  
indefensible and unsustainable”**