

**EAST COAST FEMALE-TO-MALE GROUP (ECFTMG) ●P.O. Box 60585 ●
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Here is the schedule of meeting dates and topics for the next five meetings. We continue to get together on the 2nd Sunday of every month from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. All meetings are held at Bet Power's house – 146 Riverbank Road, Northampton, Massachusetts. For directions to the meetings or for more information, call Bet at 413.584.7616. New brothers or significant others of FTMs who have never attended one of our meetings should call and introduce themselves to Bet before attending. Our meetings are open to all FTMs: crossdressers, transgendered, transsexual, non-op, pre-op, post-op, and our significant others.

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Sunday, November 9, 3:00 p.m.:

RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR BIOLOGICAL FAMILIES. What did we experience, growing up? What do our relationships with our families feel like today? What have we told them about ourselves? What do we need? Come meet members of PFLAG/Amherst, who we have invited to this meeting. They will listen to our stories and see how they might help make it easier for FTMs, our parents and families, in the future. MTFs allied with PFLAG may also be in attendance at this discussion.

Sunday, December 14, 3:00 p.m.:

UP THE PSYCHIATRIC/MEDICAL SYSTEM! MOVING TOWARD TRANSGENDER PRIDE. An examination of the ways the standard "treatments" for the natural state of being transgendered are harming us as individuals and as community. A rejection of "gender identity disorder," the Benjamin Standards of Care, chemicals, mutilating surgeries, the 2-gender system, and the control of our lives/bodies in the hands of others rather than ourselves. An important discussion with a goal: shaping a prideful, healthy FTM community that begins to exercise our freedom with political clout. *At this meeting, we will view the Primetime Live segment about Alex, an FTM at Harvard, which aired on ABC-TV on 10/15/97. It is incredibly good!*

Sunday, January 11, 3:00 p.m.:

TRICKS OF THE TRADE. Come learn a few more!

Sunday, February 8, 3:00 p.m.:

OUR LIVES AT WORK: HOW FTMs COPE ON THE JOB. How do we maintain our transgendered or transsexual identities at our jobs given the lack of legal protections against employment discrimination? Come discuss your situation and find the support you seek.

Sunday, March 8, 3:00 p.m.:

ECFTMG 6th ANNIVERSARY PARTY! Come meet your brothers and help us celebrate another year of the East Coast Female-to-Male Group. Bring something for potluck; snacks will be served. All transgendered are welcome: FTMs, MTFs, significant others, and allies.

ECFTMG is a free peer support group for all female-to-male transgendered, crossdressers, transsexuals, our partners and significant others. We are all-inclusive, safe, and nonjudgmental. We respect the right of each of us to decide our individual path, whatever that may be. We believe our diverse situations can be joined together in united community.