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The Good Doctor Mega Buzz: A Transgender Patient Teaches Shaun an Important Lesson

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*The Good Doctor's* star physician is going to be a bit perplexed when he encounters his first transgender patient in Monday's episode. For Shaun (Freddie Highmore), who likes exact scientific definitions, it's difficult to understand the full spectrum of gender identity when he had been raised to think of it as a binary.

Over the course of the episode though, the patient, Quinn, will teach Shaun a thing or two about being misunderstood, and he'll see that the two of them have more in common than he thought. So many people try to put Shaun in a box, but when Quinn explains that she's only ever been able to be herself, something clicks deep within Shaun.

While this new perspective will be a healthy thing for Shaun, he's still going to ask some cringeworthy questions along the way as he tries to understand Quinn better. Luckily, the young patient is pretty wise and is ready to swing curveballs back at primetime's highest rated new doctor.

*The Good Doctor* continues Mondays at 10/9c on ABC.

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## Grey's Anatomy Enlists Candis Cayne for an Important Trans Storyline

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*Grey's Anatomy* may be an old show, but it's still on the cutting edge for telling trans stories on primetime network TV.

ABC's medical drama is bringing on *Transparent* actress Candis Cayne for a multi-episode arc as a patient who comes to Grey Sloan for a "groundbreaking" vaginoplasty surgery, according to *The Hollywood Reporter*. The storyline is based on a true story about a trans woman named Hayley Anthony who helped Jess Ting, the director of surgery at the Center for Transgender Medicine and Surgery at Mount Sinai, design a new vaginoplasty procedure.

In 2007, Cayne became the first trans actress to play a recurring trans character in primetime on ABC's *Dirty Sexy Money*. She's also appeared on *The Magicians* and *Nip/Tuck*.

*Grey's Anatomy* has been working to improve trans representation on TV in Season 14. This season has a new character, intern Dr. Casey Parker (Alex Blue Davis), who debuted in October and recently came out as a transgender man. The show has received praise for how Casey's gender identity is not treated as the most important part of his character and how many of his storylines have nothing to do with being trans.

Last year, *Orange Is the New Black* star Laverne Cox made history by becoming the first transgender actress in a series regular role on a primetime network drama. The show was canceled after just one season.

*Grey's Anatomy* airs Thursdays at 8/7c on ABC.

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