WHEN DOCTORS CHOOSE A CHILD’S SEX

Use the information presented in the video and class to answer the following questions:

1. Who was Jade in the video? What was done to her and why?

2. What are some of the causes of ambiguous genitals?

3. What is it called when they alter genitals? Why are most infants with ambiguous genitals assigned to be females?

4. Describe the case of John/Joan and the results.

5. Why did John/Joan’s doctors believe that assigning him to the female sex would work? (name and describe theory discussed in video).

6. Compare Dr. Gearhart’s ideas about sex assignment and gender to Dr. Diamond’s.

7. Describe Dr. Reiner’s Study and any results so far.
8. What does Dr. Reiner say about Jade?

9. What implications do the cases presented in this video have for the origins of gender and gender identity?