Anti-Circumcision Protest Comes to Rochester

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(ABC 6 NEWS)--Protesters came to downtown Rochester on Wednesday to rally against the practice of circumcising boys.

The demonstrators say genital mutilation doesn't just happen to girls and that boys need protection too.

Bloodstained Men and Their Friends, a nonprofit organization, wore white bodysuits with fake bloodstains on their groins to spread the message about routine infant circumcision.

They say they're victims of violence and are working towards eradicating circumcision.



The protestors were joined by several local people who share their belief.

"I believe God made them the way that they should be and their whole body is normal and healthy and perfect and I oppose them being harmed by circumcision," said Christine Hubel, of Rochester.

Some bystanders, like Leroy Vassel III, said they support the group's right to protest but don't necessarily believe in the cause.

"I'm with God, I believe all males should be circumcised," said Vassel.

Rochester was the second of 17 stops for the organization. They will now move onto Cedar Falls, lowa.

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