# LGBT+ Affirmation in the Undergraduate Medical Curriculum

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## **Background**

#### Launch of the 2019 LGBT Affirmation Strategy

As part of the wider health inequalities strategy

# **Co-produced with Community Partners**

LGBT Foundation

# In Response to Reports and Data

About poorer health outcomes, health inequalities and barriers to healthcare that LGBT+ patients face

## Requested by Students

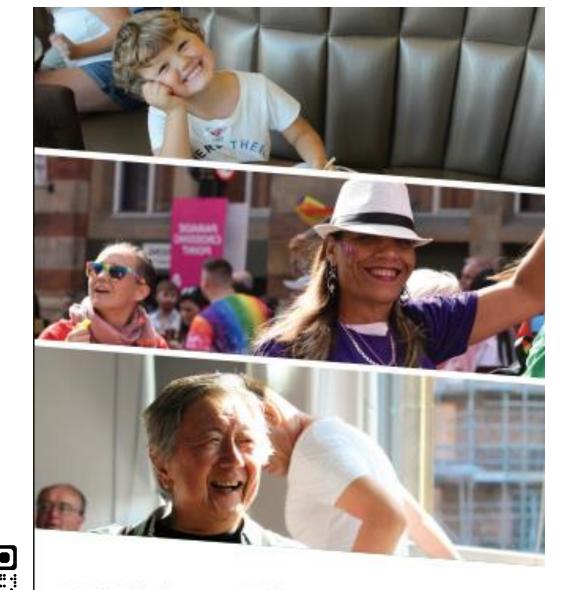
Due to lack of coverage in the curriculum

# **Supported by External Organisations**

Indigo Gender Service

### Hidden Figures (2023)

- 23% of LGBT people have at one time witnessed anti-LGBT remarks by healthcare staff
- 24% of homeless people aged 16-24 are LGBT and 69% of these people believe parental rejection was a main factor in becoming homeless
- 42.8% of LBT women said that they had experienced sexual violence compared to an estimated 20% of all women in the UK









I put off going as at least three nurses over the years have said you don't have sex with men you don't need a test. As I was really scared of going this made me decide not to bother

#### What we set out to do...

**Meet existing IOLs** 

**Broaden relevant clinical knowledge** 

Align our use of language

**Turn up the volume** 

**Increase confidence** 

**Increase opportunities** 

#### What have we done so far....

#### **Education and Training for Students**

- Introduced a lecture series in year 1
- Developed trans specific IOL's
- Piloted LGBT affirmation communications sessions in year 2
- Case reviews for consistency and representation

#### **Strategy and Development**

- Recruited a co-lead with lived experience
- Formed an LGBT+ micro faculty
- Mapped out education and learning opportunities across the 5-year programme
- Revisiting the strategy for the next 5 years

#### What else do we need to do...

# Imbed LGBT content throughout the 5-year curriculum

- Develop IOLs and curriculum content
- Focus on clinical years
- Training for educators (PRiME)

# Increase collaboration both internally and externally

- Students and staff
- Other medical schools
- Conferences

# Assess the impact and quality of the content

- Annual report
- Formal evaluation
- Student projects (APEP)

# **Any Questions?**

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