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Dear Secretary of State,

We are pleased that NHS England has advised that cross-sex hormones (CSH) should not be prescribed to children aged under 18 as a matter of routine. And that GPs have been issued with guidance warning them not to enter into shared care arrangements with unregulated providers in this respect.

We understand that GenderGP and Anne Trans Healthcare Ltd were singled out in particular as posing "an ongoing safety risk to children and young people in the UK. "

However, you will be aware that private providers, many of them based overseas but focusing on the UK market, continue to work with vulnerable children and their families.

We would ask that you close this loophole and impose a permanent ban on the private prescribing of CSH for under 18s entirely.

We believe that most young people who are seeking CSH are lesbian, gay or bisexual and have been convinced by the narrative that their gender non-conformity is proof that they must be 'fixed' or 'cured'.

It is unconscionable that those who sell CSH also peddle dangerous lies about the likely suicides that would result if young people are denied these drugs.

The medicalisation of LGB people has a long and ugly history. This iteration is led by zealots and ideologues who have absolutely no regard for the health of young people.

I would be grateful if we could meet to discuss this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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