

Wes Streeting MP
Secretary of State for Health and Social Care
House of Commons
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Dear Secretary of State,

The College of Policing estimate that, in London alone, three men a month are dying as a consequence of chemsex. This is an urgent and escalating public health crisis that primarily impacts gay and bi men.

I have attached our report, 'Let's Look After Each Other', which highlights how the health and wellbeing of gay and bi men has been deprioritised in the last two decades as the organisations that once supported us have turned their focus towards 'gender affirming care'.

Whilst it is laudable that charities might seek to reach a broader audience, in practice this means that support for gay and bi men is diluted.

It's clear that the health needs of gay and bi men are not the same as those who may identify as trans or queer and LGB Alliance is calling for targeted funding and support for same-sex attracted men and our distinct needs.

We would ask that the Department of Health:

- Disaggregates the LGBTQ+ acronym to better cater for the specific needs of individuals within that broad grouping
- Collects accurate data about sexual orientation to ensure that homosexuality and gender identity are not conflated
- Increases targeted funding to tackle the issues arising from chemsex.

I would be grateful if you would meet with us to discuss our concerns and to consider how we might work together to address this growing problem.

Yours sincerely,



Dan James Smith
Trustee, LGB Alliance