



Saturday 27th October 2018 | Radisson Blu Holloway Circus, Birmingham. B1 1BT

# **TIMETABLE**

TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
09:45-10:15	Registration, tea & coffee	
10:15-10:35	Introduction and Keynote Speech	Dr Antony Lempert, Secular Medical Forum
10:35 – 11:00	Reclaiming Conscience in Health Care	Professor Michael Thomson, Law & Social Justice Research Group at Leeds Law School
11:00-11:25	Abusive Practice of Gay Conversion Therapy	Jayne Ozanne, The Ozanne Foundation
11:25-11:35	Q&A	
11:35-11:50	Break	
11:50-12:15	One Green Bottle - male circumcision and the law	James Chegwidden, Old Square Chambers
12:15-12:40	Gender or genital autonomy? Why framing nontherapeutic genital cutting as a children's rights issue is both ethically and pragmatically necessary	Brian Earp, The Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics
12:40 – 12:55	Q&A	
12:55- 14:00	Lunch	
14:00-14:25	Standing up to Abortion's Opponents	Ann Furedi, British Pregnancy Advisory Service
14:25-14:50	An update on Assisted Dying - one hundred million people now have access to it, why can't we	Dr Jacky Davis, Healthcare Professionals for Assisted Dying
14:50-15:15	When will MARS (Medically Assisted Rational Suicide) land on the UK?	Dr Michael Irwin, Former chairman, Voluntary Euthanasia Society
15:15-15:30	Q&A	
15:30-15:45	Break	
15:45 – 16:15	Open discussion with all panelists	
16:15 – 16:20	Closing remarks	
16:20	END	





# SPEAKER PROFILES

#### Dr Antony Lempert, Secular Medical Forum (Chair)

Dr Antony Lempert is a partner in a rural GP practice on the Welsh/English border. Since 2008 he has coordinated and chaired the SMF which works to protect patients from the harm caused by the imposition on them of other people's personal beliefs. Dr Lempert is a BMA representative, and chairs the Shropshire division of the BMA.

### • James Chegwidden, Old Square Chambers

James Chegwidden is a barrister practising from Old Square Chambers in London. Originally from Australia and called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 2008, he specialises in equality and discrimination law and public law cases. He formerly worked as avocat stagiaire at the European Court of Human Rights, Strasbourg, and was appointed Attorney General's Counsel to the Crown in 2013.

#### Dr Jacky Davis, Healthcare Professionals for Assisted Dying

Consultant radiologist Whittington Hospital; Member BMA Council; Member BMA ethics committee; Chair of Healthcare Professionals for Assisted Dying Board member Dignity in Dying

#### • Brian Earp, The Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics

Brian is Associate Director of the Yale-Hastings Program in Ethics and Health Policy at Yale University and The Hastings Center, and a Research Fellow in the Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics at the University of Oxford. Brian's work is cross-disciplinary, following training in philosophy, cognitive science, psychology, history and sociology of science and medicine, and ethics. He has been widely published and has been cited in a landmark British high court case by Sir James Munby.

#### • Ann Furedi, British Pregnancy Advisory Service

Ann Furedi is Chief Executive of British Pregnancy Advisory Service, a not-for-profit provider of abortion services in the UK. She is a leading pro-choice advocate and has written extensively on issue relating to pregnancy and birth control.

#### Dr Michael Irwin, Former chairman, Voluntary Euthanasia Society

Michael Irwin is a former Medical Director of the United Nations, in New York (1982-1989). He has campaigned for legalised doctor-assisted suicide since 1994, having been Chairman of the Voluntary Euthanasia Society (1996-1999, and again 2001-2003), and President of the World Federation of Right-to-Die Societies (2002-2004). He founded the Secular Medical Forum in 2006, and the Society for Old Age Rational Suicide in 2009 (in 2016, SOARS was renamed My Death My Decision). Since 2005, Michael has accompanied five individuals to Switzerland to witness their doctor-assisted suicides.

#### Jayne Ozanne, The Ozanne Foundation

Jayne Ozanne is a well-known gay evangelical who works to ensure full inclusion of all LGBTI Christians at every level of the Church. She is Director of the Ozanne Foundation, which works with religious organisations around the world to eliminate discrimination based on sexuality or gender in order to embrace and celebrate the equality and diversity of all. Having been a founding member of the Archbishops' Council for the Church of England (1999 – 2004) she is once again a member of General Synod where she is involved in campaigning on a range of issues.

## • Professor Michael Thomson, Law & Social Justice Research Group at Leeds Law School

Michael Thomson is Professor of Health Law at the University of Leeds and University of Technology Sydney. At Leeds he is the founder and Director of the School's Centre for Law & Social Justice. His research interests span the fields of health law, children's rights, and legal and political theory. In health law, he has written extensively on the legal regulation of reproduction and non-therapeutic genital cutting.