MSC Statement on LGBTQ+ so-called conversion therapy

Given recent UK events, the global calls for a ban by the United Nations, and in-light of the UK government’s consultation work to fulfil its commitment to ban LGBTQ+ conversion therapy, MSC would like to make it clear to staff and students that it unequivocally believes such so-called therapies have no place in clinical practice.

Medical schools teach evidence based medicine to their students and there is no credible evidence base to support conversion therapy.

The newly established MSC Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Alliance is in the process of putting together a strategy and work plan for the next few years and this will include work to highlight and address issues faced by LGBTQ+ medical students, staff and patients. This will encompass work to support the development of learning opportunities for students to understand the harmful impacts of so-called conversion therapies.