



International Women's Day

Friday 3 March 2017

Abortion care: Our responsibility

- 9.00am** REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS
- 9.30am** **Introduction and welcome**
Professor Lesley Regan, President, Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
Dr Asha Kasliwal, President, Faculty of Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare
- 9.45am** **The moral case for abortion**
Ms Ann Furedi, Chief Executive, bpas
- 10:15am** **Training and working in abortion care**
Dr Tracey Masters, Vice President (Specialty), Faculty of Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare
- 10.45am** **Why I'm passionate about my job as an abortion care provider**
Dr Vinita Nair, Consultant Gynaecologist, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust
- 11.00am** REFRESHMENT BREAK
- 11.15am** **The effect of unintended pregnancy and abortion on mental health and wellbeing**
Dr Edna Astbury-Ward, Senior Lecturer, School of Social and Life Sciences, Glyndwr University
- 11.45am** **Recent technical advances in abortion care**
Dr Patricia Lohr, Medical Director, bpas and Treasurer, British Society of Abortion Care Providers
- 12.15pm** **Commissioning abortion services in the UK**
Mr Nigel Acheson, Regional Medical Director, NHS England South
- 12.45pm** **The RCOG Abortion Task Force and Leading Safe Choices Programme**
Professor Lesley Regan, President, Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
- 1.00pm** LUNCH (Packed sandwich lunch)
- 1.30pm** **Panel discussion: Clinical controversies in abortion care**
- Should all women receive antibiotics before both surgical and medical abortion?
 - Should all women have cervical priming before surgical abortion?
 - Should all women who are Rh-negative receive anti-D?
- Chair: Sharon Cameron, Consultant Gynaecologist and Lead for Sexual Health Services, NHS Lothian
- Panel:
- Professor Allan Templeton, Emeritus Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of Aberdeen
 - Dr Patricia Lohr, Medical Director, bpas and Treasurer, British Society of Abortion Care Providers
 - Dr Megan Rowley, Consultant in Transfusion Medicine, Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh

- 2.30pm** **Workshop: Exploring attitudes to abortion**
Chair: Professor Anna Glasier, Department of Public Health and Policy, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University of Edinburgh
- 3.15pm** **Summary and closing remarks**
Professor Lesley Regan, President, Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists
Professor David Baird, Emeritus Professor of Reproductive Endocrinology, Centre for Reproductive Biology, University of Edinburgh
- 3.30pm** CLOSE