



Upcoming business of interest and opportunities to raise Global Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR)

Dear Member

On the occasion of Donald Trump's inauguration, this Monday 20th January The APPG on Sexual and Reproductive Health in the UK are holding a drop-in event on **abortion rights and policy in the UK** in Room P, Portcullis House from 5:15-6:15pm. There will be a photo-opportunity, briefings to take away and a chance to talk to those working to improve women's safe access to abortion services across the UK. RSVP to Tom.Rugman@parliament.uk.

From 5:00pm on Monday, Abortion Rights, the national pro-choice campaign, [will be marching](#) from Whitehall to College Green to protest against the rollback of reproductive rights in the US and in support of the decriminalisation movement in the UK (see NEWS, below).

UPCOMING PARLIAMENTARY BUSINESS

Please note that the schedule and locations of events are subject to change. See the parliamentary [calendar](#) for up-to-date information.

House of Commons

Tuesday 21 January

Main Chamber, sitting at 11:30am

Oral questions – Treasury

What the fiscal circumstances are that would allow Official Development Assistance to return to 0.7% of gross national income – Emily Darlington MP

Friday 24 January

Main Chamber, sitting at 9:30am

Domestic Abuse (Aggravated Offences) Bill: Second Reading – Josh Babarinde MP

House of Lords

Monday 20 January

Main Chamber, sitting at 2:30pm

Oral questions – Health and social impacts of first-cousin marriage, including those related to women’s rights – Lord Farmer

Legislation – Non-consensual Sexually Explicit Images and Videos (Offences)

Bill: Committee Stage – Baroness Owen of Alderley Edge

APPG ON GLOBAL SRHR EVENTS

26 March: 11:00am - 12:00pm Committee Room 2A House of Lords. Briefing meeting on women’s health inequalities with Professor Sophie Harman, author of [‘Sick of It: The Global Fight for Women’s Health’](#).

6-11 April: APPG on Global SRHR study tour to Kenya. Please email kjaerbym@parliament.uk to express your interest, if not already done so.



INVITATIONS TO OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

20 January: 5:30-9:00pm. Human Rights Action Centre, 25 New Inn Yard, London EC2A 3EA. On the day of Donald Trump’s inauguration The British Pregnancy Advisory Society and Amnesty International host a panel discussion and screening of [Zurawski v Texas](#) to raise funds for The Brigid Alliance. More

details [here](#). Please email kjaerbym@parliament.uk to secure a ticket. There is also a virtual option to watch the film only [here](#).

22 January: 2:00pm. IPU and International Parliament Engagement Network present **‘What AI may mean for public engagement with parliaments’**. More [information](#) and registration [here](#).

22 January: 2:00pm. FIGO presents **‘Preconception care: Laying the foundation for a healthier future’**. Registration [here](#).

22 January: 6:30-8:30pm. Doctors For Choice UK present **‘Are we reinventing the wheel? Learning from older abortion rights activists’**. Registration [here](#).

23 January: 1:00pm. Hosted by the ICFP 2025 Faith Subcommittee in celebration of World Religion Day **‘Trusted Voices: How Faith Leaders Can Communicate Evidence-based FP Information’**. More [information](#) and registration [here](#).

23 January: 5:00pm. Global Fund for Women presents **‘Global Fund for Women Virtual Town Hall: Hope and Resilience in the Face of Authoritarianism’**, an inspiring conversation with global feminist leaders on the heels of the U.S. presidential inauguration. More information and registration [here](#).

26 January: 6:00pm. The Guttmacher Institute presents **‘What to Expect for 2025 State Legislative Sessions’**. More information and registration [here](#).

27-31 January: EPF Study Trip to the Philippines. Please email kjaerbym@parliament.uk to express your interest, if not already done so.

28 January: 2:00pm. FP2030, MOMENTUM Knowledge Accelerator and the William H. Gates Sr. Institute present **‘Centering Locally-Driven Family Planning Measurement Priorities in the Global Measurement Agenda: Paths Forward’**. Registration [here](#).

28 January: 4:00-5:50pm. Institute of Development Studies presents **‘Recasting Development’** an annual event to examine prospects for a recasting of development around the world. More information and registration [here](#).

29 January: 6:30-8:00pm. Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists webinar ‘**The global fight to improve maternal health**’. More [information](#) and registration [here](#).

10-16 February: [National HIV Testing Week](#).

12 February: 5:30-7:30pm. Progress Educational Trust present ‘**The Fertility Landscape for LGBTQ+ Communities: Barriers and Considerations**’ A free-to-attend online event about how to improve access to – and quality of – fertility treatment for LGBTQ+ people, families and communities. Registration [here](#).

13 February: 1:00pm. Progress Educational Trust present ‘**How do we respond to trends in HIV testing and diagnosis data?**’. Registration [here](#).

10-25 March: New York. [Commission on the Status of Women](#) (CSW). Please email kjaerbym@parliament.uk to express your interest, if not already done so.

26-30 May: EPF Study Tour to Sri Lanka organised in collaboration with the [Family Planning Association of Sri Lanka \(FPAS\)](#). Please email kjaerbym@parliament.uk to express your interest, if not already done so.

23-25 June: London. Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RCOG) [World Congress 2025](#).

5-9 October: Cape Town, South Africa. [2025 FIGO World Congress of Gynaecology and Obstetrics](#) - email kjaerbym@parliament.uk to express your interest, if not already done so.

3-6 November: 2025 International Conference on Family Planning - Bogotá, Columbia This year’s theme is ‘[Equity Through Action](#)’ – email kjaerbym@parliament.uk to express your interest, if not already done so.

NEWS

[Leading authorities call for urgent action by Parliament to protect women’s essential reproductive rights](#) – Royal College of Obstetricians and

Gynaecologists

[Decriminalise Abortion Petition](#) – UK Government and Parliament Petitions

[Ensure abortion services are available up to 24 weeks across all parts of Scotland](#) - Scottish Parliament Website

[Opinion: 5 ways to thrive despite Trump's anti-abortion global gag rule](#) - Devex

[Shock rise in UK aid budget eases fears of fresh cuts](#) - Devex

['Time to grieve': Paid bereavement leave should cover miscarriage, MPs say](#) - Sky News

[Caesareans are rising fast in the UK – but giving birth is getting worse for women](#) – The Conversation

[Unreliable menstrual cycle tracking apps blamed for rise in abortions](#) – The Times

[Queer, HIV-Positive, and Running Out of Medication in Gaza](#) – The Intercept

[The relationship recession is going global](#) – The Financial Times

[Falling birth rates raise prospect of sharp decline in living standards](#) – The Financial Times

[An invisible threat lurking in the water is slowly destroying these women's lives](#) – The Telegraph

[Underfunded and overlooked: The neglected crises on UNFPA's radar in 2025](#) – United Nations Population Fund

REPORTS AND RESEARCH

[49% of Women in the UK Face Barriers to Contraception Access, Reveals New BPAS Report](#) – British Pregnancy Advisory Service

[What Organizations Outside the United States Should Know About the Global Gag Rule](#) – Guttmacher Institute

[Centring women's voices in contraceptive innovation: building the case for an on-demand, pericoital pill](#) – British Medical Journal Sexual & Reproductive Health

[Equality at work: Miscarriage and bereavement leave](#) – Women and Equalities Committee