



The All-Party Parliamentary Group on  
**Global Sexual and Reproductive  
Health and Rights**

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

### **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 11 February**

Main Chamber, sitting at 11:30a.m.

Oral questions – Health and Social Care

What discussions he has had with the Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs on the UK's leadership on global health and immunisation – Monica Harding MP

Thatcher Room, Portcullis House, sitting at 2:00pm

International Development Committee – The FCDO's approach to value for money – Oral evidence

##### **Wednesday 12 February**

Westminster Hall, sitting 1:30 - 3:00pm

HIV Awareness Week – David Mundell MP

**TABLING REMINDER: 13 February - FCDO oral questions deadline.**

**SUGGESTION: To ask the SoS for FCDO what steps he is taking to combat global activism against Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights**

#### **House of Lords**

No business of interest to APPG on Global SRHR

**TABLING REMINDER: 8 March – International Women's Day**

**SUGGESTION: To ask HMG how they will accelerate action on women and girls' Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in conflict settings as we**

## [approach International Women's Day and the Commission on the Status of Women](#)

### APPG ON GLOBAL SRHR EVENTS

#### **APPG on Global SRHR Hearings on Sexual & Reproductive Health Rights and Conflict**

**26 February:** 4:30-6:00pm, Committee Room 2A, HoL

**3 March:** 4:30-6:00pm, Committee Room 2A, HoL

**5 March:** 4:30-6:00pm, Committee Room 2A, HoL

**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](#)'. See attached invitation.

**8-13 April:** APPG on Global SRHR study tour to Kenya. Please email [kjaerby@parliament.uk](mailto:kjaerby@parliament.uk) to express your interest, if not already done so.

### INVITATIONS TO OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

**10-16 February:** [National HIV Testing Week](#). Brook have an [online toolkit](#) to help with your social media posts.

**10 February:** 3:00pm, Committee Room 3a. The APPG on Women, Peace and Security invite you to '**Advancing Women's Rights in conflict situations through the WPS Agenda.**' For further information, please email: [appg-wps@gaps-uk.org](mailto:appg-wps@gaps-uk.org)

**11 February:** 11:30pm. Jubilee Room, Westminster Hall. The APPG on HIV/AIDS is hosting a photo drop-in to mark **HIV Testing Week**.

**11 February:** 5:00pm. Room N, PCH. The Syria All Party Parliamentary Group are holding a briefing meeting on **UK Government policy on Syria**, with the UK Special Representative for Syria, Ann Snow. RSVP to [willitsj@caabu.org](mailto:willitsj@caabu.org).

**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](#).

**18 February:** 3:00pm. International Papillomavirus Society presents ‘**HPV Screening Tests: How to Make the Best Decision for Your Program**’. Registration [here](#).

**18 February:** 2:00-4:30pm. FORWARD presents ‘**Pan European Knowledge Exchange on Diaspora Change Makers to End FGM**’. This online event brings together diaspora change makers from across Europe to discuss and strategise on how to end FGM. Join for insightful discussions and networking opportunities. Hear from policy makers, researchers and activists in the global movement to end FGM in the diaspora and Africa and the impact of their work. Registration [here](#).

**18 February:** 2:45-4:30 GMT online. EPF will be launching their ‘**Contraception Policy Atlas Europe 2025**’ at the European Parliament and online. Register [here](#).

**3 March:** 5:30-7:30pm. Attlee Suite, PCH. CARE International present an **International Women’s Day Reception**. RSVP to [juergenson@careinternational.org](mailto:juergenson@careinternational.org)

**4 March:** 9:00-11:00am. IPU and Jubilee Rooms. **International Women’s Day Drop-in Event**. BGIPU and the Parliamentary Human Rights group will be hosting a drop-in session for members to meet with Human Rights organisations and Human Rights Defenders working on women’s rights. APPG on Global SRHR will be present. RSVP to [edwardsrl@parliament.uk](mailto:edwardsrl@parliament.uk).

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

**27-30 April 2026:** [WD2026 – Women Deliver Conference - Melbourne, Australia](#)

## **NEWS**

**USAID** - [STOPAIDS membership statement on impact of PEPFAR cuts on the HIV response](#) – see also attached letter to PM Keir Starmer from STOPAIDS  
[Tears and panic as immediate impact of Trump's cuts felt by millions in South Africa](#) – Sky News

[How shuttering USAID could impact famine, lives in Sudan](#) – CBS News

[UN warns maternal deaths in Afghanistan may rise after US funding pause](#) – Reuters

[U.S. foreign aid freeze hits secret girls' schools, flood repair, scholarships : Goats and Soda](#) – NPR

[USAID's workforce to be slashed to just 294 staff](#) - Devex

**UK** – [Towards a Common Future: Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights for All, Minister Dodds' remarks](#) – GOV.UK

[New £13m police centre to tackle violence against women and girls](#) – GOV.UK

[Declaration from the International Conference of the International Alliance on Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict, November 2024](#) – GOV.UK

**UGANDA** - [Being a mother in the west would be a dream, I thought. But compared with Uganda, it was a nightmare](#) – The Guardian

**DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO** - [Hundreds of women raped and burned to death after Goma prison set on fire](#) – The Guardian

[Dire health and humanitarian crisis in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo prompts escalation of efforts by WHO, partners](#) – World Health Organization

## **REPORTS AND RESEARCH**

[UK aid for women and girls slashed worldwide, new research reveals](#) - CARE International UK

[Stricter abortion laws may cause increased infant deaths – 2 maternal and child health researchers explain the data](#) – The Conversation

[Mapping and closing gaps in neonatal research: zooming in on implementation research](#) – London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

[CWJ responds to the National Audit Office's report on VAWG](#) – Centre for Women's Justice

The HIPs Partnership is pleased to announce a new HIPs draft brief on Contraceptive Self-Care. We welcome your input and feedback to improve the quality and usefulness of the brief. To access the draft brief and comment, please go to [www.fphighimpactpractices.org](http://www.fphighimpactpractices.org)

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