

Jane Hutt AS/MS  
Y Dirprwy Weinidog a'r Prif Chwip  
Deputy Minister and Chief Whip



Llywodraeth Cymru  
Welsh Government

Eich cyf/Your ref P-05-1072  
Ein cyf/Our ref JH-/01066/20

Janet Finch-Saunders MS  
Chair, Petitions Committee

25 November 2020

Dear Janet,

Thank you for your letter dated 6 November regarding **Petition P-05-1072**.

All major UK medical professional bodies, including RCPsych and RCGP and those representing psychological therapies, have made it clear that offering conversion therapy (an attempt by any means to change a person's sexual orientation, gender identity or gender expression) would be in breach of their professional codes of practice.

We strongly advocate the rights of LGBT+ people and recognise the evidence which indicates that efforts to try to change or alter sexual orientation and gender identity through psychological therapies are unethical and potentially harmful.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jane Hutt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line above the first name.

**Jane Hutt AS/MS**  
Y Dirprwy Weinidog a'r Prif Chwip  
Deputy Minister and Chief Whip

Canolfan Cyswllt Cyntaf / First Point of Contact Centre:  
0300 0604400

Bae Caerdydd • Cardiff Bay  
Caerdydd • Cardiff  
CF99 1SN

[Gohebiaeth.Jane.Hutt@llyw.cymru](mailto:Gohebiaeth.Jane.Hutt@llyw.cymru)  
[Correspondence.Jane.Hutt@gov.wales](mailto:Correspondence.Jane.Hutt@gov.wales)

Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yn Gymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb gohebiaeth a dderbynnir yn Gymraeg yn Gymraeg ac ni fydd gohebu yn Gymraeg yn arwain at oedi.

We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.