

# LYING FEMINIST OF THE MONTH

# Anne Longfield



[J4MB](#) presents the September 2015 **Lying Feminist of the Month** award to Anne Longfield, Children's Commissioner for England. We sent her a [public challenge](#) on the illegality of MGM, damage caused by the procedure, ethical objections, and more besides. We provided a [link](#) to an important article by William Collins. Her [response](#) revealed that the subject of MGM hadn't been raised in the presence of a Children's Commissioner in the course of a minuted meeting in the past six years. We then publicly challenged her over an egregious lie on her organization's [website](#), giving her a week to retract it:

**Children's rights: Every child under the age of 18 has all the rights of the UNCRC.**

UNCRC is the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. She failed to retract the lie, so she's a worthy winner of this award. Today we emailed her, suggesting she and her colleagues watch a [video](#) of a presentation given at the International Genital Autonomy conference in Frankfurt, in May 2015, detailing the findings of the 2012 Global Survey of Circumcision Harm. The presenter was Tim Hammond, an independent researcher. Circumcision Harm, the related website, is [here](#).