



The non-therapeutic circumcision of male minors is termed Male Genital Mutilation, 'MGM'. There's a myth that men don't mind being circumcised. Some men don't mind, but many men mind a great deal. 18% of British men are circumcised. **Justice for Men & Boys**, our political party, has protested against MGM outside the country's leading private circumcision clinic in Luton,¹ in Golders Green,² in Parliament Square, and outside the offices of the Home Office and the Crown Prosecution Service.

Men circumcised as babies, infants or children – by legal definition, without their informed consent – are shamed into not talking about the physical and mental health problems that have resulted from the assault. MGM has significant physical and psychological consequences, and no proven benefits. Men who complain about having had their foreskins amputated without their informed consent are consistently treated as having something wrong **with** them, rather than being treated as having had something wrong done **to** them. We recommend the following materials about MGM:

- Child Circumcision – an Elephant in the Hospital (video).³
- Global Survey of Circumcision Harm (video).⁴ One of 20 presentations at the second International Conference on Men's Issues, Excel London, July 2016.⁵
- William Collins's article, which explores many issues concerning MGM, and explains its prime purpose has long been known to be the diminishment of men's sexual pleasure.⁶
- A renowned psychology professor, a circumcised man, condemns MGM (video).⁷
- The Directory of Known Genital Mutilators (including many in the UK).⁸

Female Genital Mutilation – 'FGM' – has been specifically illegal since the passing of the Prohibition of Female Circumcision Act 1985. MGM has long been a criminal offence, since at least the passing of the Offences Against the Person Act 1861, as well as later legislation – but the criminal justice system takes no interest. The procedure breaches numerous Articles of UN and EU human rights conventions.

We call on the Conservative party to make MGM specifically illegal, in line with FGM, at the earliest opportunity. We owe it to future generations to end these assaults on children.

¹ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sTObX2u7FPQ>

² <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-bmWY9eg6fc>

³ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F2wjADZuoqE>

⁴ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8izzCSRhKXs>

⁵ <http://icmi16.wordpress.com>

⁶ <http://mra-uk.co.uk/?p=519>

⁷ <http://tinyurl.com/ps3odko>

⁸ <http://neonatalcutting.org/listings/>