



We are supporters of the political party Justice for Men & Boys,¹ and protesting today against the non-therapeutic circumcision of male minors (Male Genital Mutilation, MGM), a criminal offence which is carried out in this clinic for personal financial gain. There are many pieces relating to MGM in the 'Key posts' section of our website.² There's a video on the website of a presentation, 'Findings of the 2012 Global Survey of Infant Circumcision Harm',³ given at the second International Conference on Men's Issues,⁴ held in London in July 2016. We also recommend you read an article by William Collins.⁵

There's a myth that men in general don't mind having been circumcised. Some men don't mind, but many men mind a great deal. Men who complain about having had their foreskins amputated when they were minors are routinely treated as having something wrong with them, rather than as having had something wrong done to them.

Men who were circumcised as babies, infants or children, have, without their informed consent, lost their foreskins, the part of the penis which contains most of the nerve endings that give men pleasure during sex. The historical purpose of MGM was to reduce men's sex drive, and it remains so to this day.

Men are shamed by their families and communities into not talking about the physical and mental health problems which often result from the procedure. MGM has no proven compensating health benefits for men, nor for their sexual partners. It is perfectly simple to keep the penis clean with the use of soap and water every day, in the same way we keep the rest of our bodies clean. MGM is an illegal, unnecessary, and harmful assault on male minors.

We call on the doctors at the Thornhill Clinic and elsewhere to cease circumcising male minors. They owe it to future generations to end their assaults on children.

¹ <http://j4mb.org.uk>

² <https://j4mb.org.uk/key-posts/> - scroll down to 'Male Genital Mutilation'

³ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8izzCSRhKXs>

⁴ <http://icmi16.wordpress.com>

⁵ <http://mra-uk.co.uk/?p=519>