

Human Reproduction Study Group Winter Event

Abortion: past, present, and future

Monday 5th December 2016, 1pm-5pm De Montfort University, Leicester

The passing of the 1967 Abortion Act nearly 50 years ago was an important point in the reproductive lives of British women. Whilst far from perfect, including the exclusion of Northern Ireland, it sent out an important message that biology is not necessarily destiny.

Debates around abortion go much deeper than the question of terminating a pregnancy. Issues such as medicalization, religious sensibilities, the role of the state and disability rights all structure access and availability as well as women's experiences.

This half day event brings together three invited speakers from Sociology, History and Reproductive Health to examine the past, present and future of abortion in the UK and to illustrate the centrality of abortion to wider understandings of women's position in society.

Invited speakers

- <u>Dr Pam Lowe</u>, Aston University
- <u>Dr Clare Parker</u>, University of Kent
- <u>Dr Lesley Hoggart</u>, The Open University

Presentation titles and abstracts will be circulated in due course. Online booking will open shortly.

BSA member-£15 Non-member-£20 Concessionary member (full-time student, retired, unwaged)-£10 Full-time student non-member-£20

Refreshments and light snacks provided. For more information about this event please contact: kbaldwin@dmu.ac.uk

