

Banning Conversion Therapy in the UK: A long road to nowhere?

#BanConversionTherapy

The UK Government publishes its LGBT Action plan which promises to bring "forward proposals to end the practice of Conversion Therapy in the UK".

3 July 18

May 20

Germany introduces legislation banning Conversion Therapy for people of all ages.

Three years since the LGBT Action Plan was published, and there's been little progress on banning Conversion Therapy. Jayne Ozzane resigns from the Government's LGBT+ advisory panel in protest.

March 21

August 21

Chile bans conversion practices carried out by medical professionals.

The UK Government finally publishes its proposals to ban conversion practices. The initial consultation deadline is extended after they fail to provide an accessible version.

October 21

January 22

Canada's ban on Conversion Therapy comes into force. France passes a law banning Conversion Therapy for all LGBT+ people.

February 22

UK's consultation closes - no analysis has yet been published.

February 22

New Zealand's parliament approves a law to end Conversion Therapy.

On Trans Day of Visibility, a leaked document reveals the UK Government plans to scrap its proposed ban on Conversion Therapy.

March 22

April 22

Following a furious response from campaigners, the Government did a U-Turn, saying it will press ahead and ban conversion practices - but not for trans people.

April 22

Protests take place in cities across the UK, demanding a ban on Conversion Therapy which protects everyone.

May 22

The Queen's Speech, delivered by Prince Charles, includes a ban on Conversion Therapy but there is no mention of trans people.

May 22

Greece bans Conversion Therapy for all LGBT+ people.

May 22

The UK falls to 14th in ILGA Europe's Rainbow List, in large part due to its "action plan not being renewed or implemented".

June 22

MPs debate including trans people in the ban, thanks to a petition started by Samantha Harris, which received more than 145,000 signatures.

July 22

There are now 14 countries, cities or territories with some form of ban on Conversion Therapy.

Four years since the UK Government promised a ban, Conversion Therapy remains legal in the UK.

We can't wait this long to get it wrong. Write to your MP and tell them to [#KeepTransInTheBan](#)

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