MedPRIDE student - staff working group

Celebrating LGBT+ History Month





Dr Marci Bowers

Marci Bowers is an innovative
Obstetric & Gynecological surgeon.
She is the first transgender woman
to have performed gender -affirming
surgeries on patients. She was also
the first US surgeon to perform
clitoral restoration surgery for
survivors of FGM. She served as
president of WPATH from 2022 -2024



Dr Sophia Jex - Blake

Physician and Teacher (1840 - 1912)

Believed to have been in a romantic relationship with Margaret Todd. Part of the 'Edinburgh Seven' who studied medicine at Edinburgh in 1869; first practicing female doctor in Scotland.





Dr Michael Dillon

Doctor, author and Buddhist monk

(1915-1962)

First trans man known to have undergone gender confirmation surgery. A pioneer in the field of transgender medicine publishing a book in 1946 entitled: Self: A Study in Ethics and Endocrinology

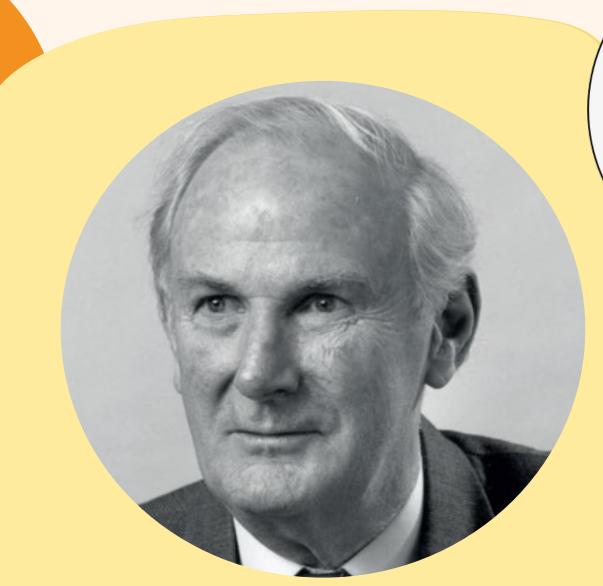




Dr Patrick Trevor - Roper

Eye Surgeon and Gay Rights Activist (1916-2004)

Campaigned for the decriminalisation of homosexuality; provided evidence to the government committee that recommended decriminalision of homosexuality in 1967. One of the founders of the Terence Higgins Trust (their first meeting was held at his home).

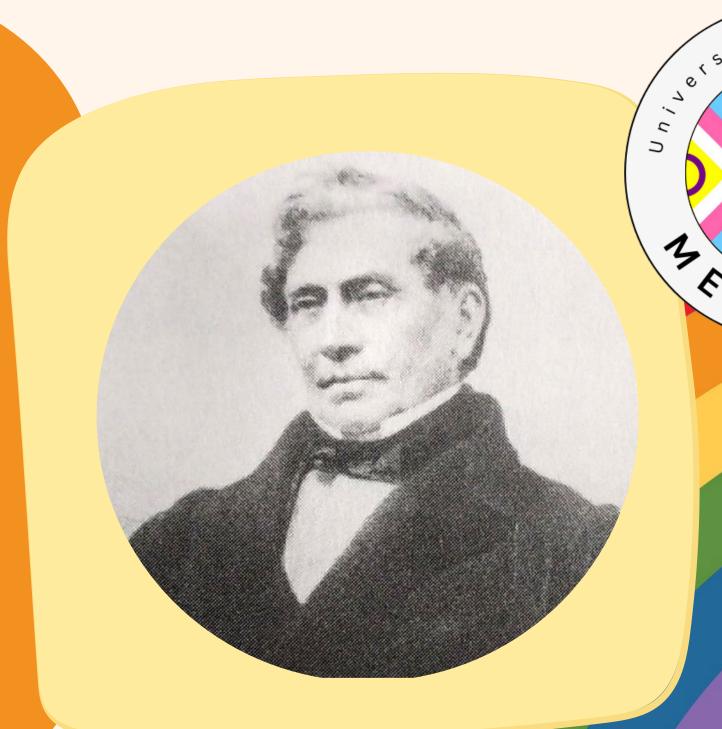




Dr James Barry

Army surgeon

James Barry carried out the first successful Caesarean section in 1826 while working as a medical officer in South Africa. He was not publicly known as being transgender until his death in 1865, out of fear.



Dr Ewan Forbes

Rural GP in 20 th Century 1912-1991

Ewan Forbes was a well -loved GP in Scotland. He took a historic step and legally re -registered his birth gender and name in 1952, which was affirmed by the Scottish Court. Despite its lack of publicity, it was a pivotal moment in transgender rights



Dr Sara Josephine Baker 1873-1945

Dr. Baker was heavily involved in public health and involved in tying to amend the high mortality rate in children in 1971, higher than the number of soldiers dying in WW1.

She was known to be in a long -term relationship with screenwriter Ida Wylie



Prof Kevin Fenton CBE

Senior public health expert and infectious disease epidemiologist. Chief Advisor on HIV.

"Recognising the importance of LGBTQ+ representation at senior levels of the NHS is paramount. The lack of representation fuels my commitment to paving the way for others."



Renée Richards

Renée is an ophthalmologist and a former professional tennis player.

She underwent gender reassignment surgery in 1975 and has challenged the United States Tennis Association policy on genetic screening for female players, sparking discussions for inclusivity for transgender athletes across all sports



Ncuti Gatwa

"The Doctor"
Rwandan -Scottish Queer Actor

"We've got to keep pushing for more. Lots and lots more diversity"

