Defamation

Schools Pack

Mermaids and Yorkshire MESMAC issued a joint statement about the Transgender Trend schools pack (referred to here as TTRP): "Mermaids and Yorkshire Mesmac want to send a clear message to schools that they should not use this piece of literature to set school policy or procedure concerning dealing with their transgender and gender variant children." It included allegations that "The TTRP guides schools to act in a way that may lead to it violating the Equality Act 2010" and "The TTRP's conclusions are based on transphobic ideas and outdated views." [link]

Gendered Intelligence: It’s extremely disturbing that anti-trans campaign Transgender Trend has published new guidance for schools under the guise of being trans inclusive. Please make people aware that this is not trans inclusive guidance and could harm young people: [link]

Allsorts Youth project: A resource has recently been produced by Transgender Trend which conflicts with best practice guidance for schools. We created a Trans Inclusion Toolkit in partnership with @PSHEedBH you can download here [link]

Helen Islan: WARNING Anti-transgender cult platform has launched a ‘resource pack’ for schools. Don’t be misled by the polished graphics, they hide harmful and misinformed transphobia! [link]

Juno: If our wonderful teaching unions could come together and take a lead here by condemning this insidious document it will really help to set a moral framework to ‘every child mattering’ within our schools @NEUnion @NASUWT @NAHTnews [link]

Juno: To anyone I know working in teaching, in schools, unions, @NEUnion @NAHTnews @NASUWT this ‘resource’ is actually a spiteful crock of shit which will do real harm but looks polite and helpful like Womans_Place_UK. Please RT let’s stop this. [link]

Guiliana London: In Trans News today: * Transgender Trend launches failed attempt to infiltrate schools with modern edition of “Mein Kampf”

Query: Failed as in? Were they denounced or smth?

Guiliana: Well, I hear that the message was communicated quietly by one or two people. ;)

http://archive.is/7sjEN

Guiliana London: If you see Transgender Trend propaganda in your school, or are a teacher approached by them, please let me know. Transgender Trend is a vehicle for transphobic propaganda. http://archive.is/eKWJE

Colin McFarlane (Stonewall Scotland): Hey Headteachers/Teachers. If a resource pack from Transgender Trend lands on your desk please bin it. It contains deliberately distorted information and ‘advice’ that is potentially dangerous to the well being of trans young people. Want advice? @StonewallScot @LGBTYS can help. [link]

Zoe O’Connell: IMPORTANT FOR SCHOOL GOVERNORS/TEACHERS: Please ensure your trustees & senior staff are aware that Transgender Trend’s school "resource pack" contains deliberate misinformation and bad advice that will negatively impact the wellbeing of trans students under your care.

AlreadySafeinMySpace: Quite right Zoe. The DofE have been informed and were very helpful this morning. Of course unauthorised publications are strictly forbidden, so they’ve completely wasted their time and money!! I guess when one has been radicalised common sense doesn’t come into it!! [link]
Stonewall Scotland: We, in the strongest possible terms, denounce and condemn this publication. If it lands on your desk, do the right thing; shred it. http://archive.is/uPMHP

Cheryl Morgan: It is a deliberate attempt to harm trans children and their families produced by a virulently anti-trans organisation. http://archive.is/uPMHP

Anna Chivers: 1\. Teachers and education professionals! In February a nasty, little-known pressure group published potentially harmful guidance claiming to help schools support trans and gender non-conforming students. http://archive.is/3Vylp

Shon Faye: Anti-trans crusade front organisation 'Transgender Trend' has produced this "resource" for schools on trans kids - literally every piece of guidance in it is to push trans children towards desistance i.e. it encourages conversion therapy and institutional transphobia. Shameful. http://archive.is/z9sxY

Helen Islan: Be in absolutely no doubt - If you’re a school or teacher and have been given a copy of the debunked ‘Transgender Trend’ Schools Resource Pack DO NOT FOLLOW IT! You will be in contravention of the 2010 Equalities Act, and will be BREAKING THE LAW! BEWARE! http://archive.is/SWsRF

Ellen Murray: Anti-trans group "Transgender Trend" have released a "Schools Resource Pack" which is a toolkit that will empower the neglect of trans young people, dressed up as a scientific, well-spoken document. I'll be going through it and breaking it down on Twitter later. https://archive.is/KF7Dy

Hannah Phillips: As an official representative to all trans children across the entire of the U.K., I advise all schools, parents and young people to not download this transphobic, problematic document. Seek help elsewhere - DO NOT READ THIS RESOURCE PACK FOR SUPPORT! http://archive.is/INxbw

Stonewall: Our response to Transgender Trends and creating a trans inclusive school environment: (Over 30 critical responses to this tweet were deleted) http://archive.is/fi36V

India Willoughby: Disgusting propaganda by ‘Transgender Trend’ - deliberately dressed up as an official doc purporting to help teachers understand T kids. Written by TERFS. Should be a big story, but who’ll carry it? Glad ignore warning going up throughout schools #education #schools @GMB http://archive.is/VHgcV

EmeraldWitch: This account is spreading transphobic bullshit that WILL lead to kids getting hurt and killed. @YourAnonGlobal hear my call http://archive.is/eNIqv

Christine Burns MBE: With the publication of this insidious material we are looking at a political attack targeting some of the most vulnerable CHILDREN in society, telling teachers (in effect) to bully them. It beats me why this is not a front page scandal. http://archive.is/3hYJ4

Lily Madigan: I hate having to do this. This is Nicholas Davies, an anti-trans activist. He’s @UKLabour candidate for conquest ward in Hastings and Rye. The pack he is sharing here encourages conversation therapy. It’s full of harm and false statistics, and has been denounced by @stonewalluk. (Davies later deleted his tweet) http://archive.is/wOQdQ

Owl: There is nothing more dangerous than deliberate misguiding disguised as an educational resource. This is made by an anti-trans organisation, who basically advocate for conversion therapy of trans kids. Completely deplorable. http://archive.is/CkwNO
Erin: Lets join some dots: The Transgender Trend School Resource Pack is nasty and insidious because it emboldens transphobic and / or purely ignorant teachers to disregard transgender children. http://archive.is/zPWSj

Judy Ellerby: Completely agree. Transgender Trend touting a dangerous line which should be completely ignored by schools. NEU advice on website. http://archive.is/ltSQL

Sam Feeney: @gyroliverpool are rightly warning of the risks around the dissemination of Transgender Trend *coughs* “guidance” to schools and professionals working with trans youth. @Mermaids_Gender & @Genderintell can signpost. It’s just like #Section28 fearmongering again @AngelaRayner http://archive.is/YCJX5

Clara Barker: Wow. Of course, my hope is that this is in response to the fact that so many schools are recieving good guidance! @Number10gov needs to firm down our laws to prevent such dangerous advice being given to teachers and parents of vunerable trans youths http://archive.is/VmPeQ

Ariel Moss: If you cant see the transphobia in this "pack" then you need help with reading comprehension. This "pack" will be responsible for many suicides. I hope your happy with that! http://archive.is/M91oB

Helen Islan: Had a meeting with my sons school this morning and told them to look out for the insidious Transgender Trend 'resource pack' and bin it if they receive it! http://archive.is/Xdx51

Dad Trans: For those supporting anti-trans 'school pack' being shilled by anti-lgbt evangelical groups & condemned as section 28 style conversion therapy for trans kids...knock yourselves out. Teachers are far too busy teaching (& far too much admin) to do anything but recycle your rubbish. http://archive.is/g7rsj

Wales Equality Alliance: A recent WPUK event in Bristol included a presentation from Transgender Trend. They have produced literature intended for schools in contravention of the BACP Memorandum of Understanding on Conversion Therapy. Trans children need protection, trans parents need respect http://archive.is/wiAXS

Wolfiness: Help me out, Twitter. The "case studies" in @Transgendertrd Transgender Trend's schools pack read like poorly-executed creative writing to me. Am I imagining it?

Trans Devon: I saw a tweet recently by a young trans person with TERF parents - and she said that her mother had indeed written a number of these case studies. http://archive.is/2Q0nT

RiotsNotDiets: Just to let you know that Brighton schools have already been warned NOT to use this transphobic shit but reminders won't hurt http://archive.is/dlxGs

Dr Adrian Harrop: Excellent discussion surrounding resources and information for #schools at the #StillHere event, enabling them to fully support their #trans pupils and students. @Transgendertrd being called out for what it is - hateful, #transphobic material that has no place in any #UK school. http://archive.is/81dfu

Karen Pollock: It isn’t a smear to say you are an anti lgbt hate group whose "advice" is transphobia and junk science We fought you in the 1980's We will fight you now We will win #LoveTrumpsHate #stillhere http://archive.is/XGhCe

Sophie Cook: It’s deeply disturbing that anti-trans literature is being sent to schools. Transitioning is a difficult period for anyone & for young transgender people to be demonised by prejudiced materials in
their schools could cause so much pain & potentially lead to mental health issues.
http://archive.is/MAiby

The Only Sprout: This is a disgrace, she is law director of the Suffolk council resource for trans people. Promoting anti-trans hate group "Transgender Trend" who promoted outing trans kids at schools, a criminal offence. How can trans ppl use this resource knowing someone like this works there?
Helen Islan: That’s because she’s ‘buddies’ with Transgender Trend aka Stephanie Davies-Arai!
http://archive.is/0588e

The Only Sprout: Everyone on this thread sign the petition to keep fake LGBT+ material like "transgendertrends" out of schools http://archive.is/16DQJ

Petition to ban 'anti-LGBTQ+' materials in schools. This petition originally named Transgender Trend: https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/226793

Therapy Today

Karen Pollock: Very saddened that the @BACP have endorsed virulently transphobic attitudes in their in house journal. Am formulating my response with a deep sense of concern at what this means as a signatory of the MOU2 has promoted opposition to self identification of gender
BACP: could you please message us via inbox us so we can look into this for you. Thank you.
http://archive.is/efhkV

Helen Islan: .@Reeves_Therapy - You may want to know that many @bacp therapists are incredibly unhappy that the BACP has been publicising propaganda from debunked and harmful sources that could damage trans children As the parent of a trans child I am also dismayed
Andrew Reeves: I entirely understand and agree with your points. The letter should not have been published. Please see an unreserved apology, which will also appear in Therapy Today

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Helen Islan: Thank you to @BACP for your apology and for clearly stating tour opposition to @transgendertrd’s approach to transgender children. http://archive.is/cLpsf

Helen Islan: Words are dangerous when they encourage others to turn away from young people who need help and support. The @BACP has categorically stated their opposition to @TransgenderTrd’s damaging ideology. http://archive.is/eNjSA

Gendered Intelligence: Editor of @BACP journal Therapy Today has unreservedly apologised for the oversight of publishing a letter from anti-trans campaign Transgender Trend. BACP is a signatory of the Memorandum of Understanding on Conversion Therapy https://www.bacp.co.uk/bacp-journals/therapy-today/ ... http://archive.is/SeFLP

Mermaids: We are incredibly pleased to see this post, acknowledging the poor practice that Transgender Trend promotes and reinforcing the message that was sent when the MOU2 was published. Thank you for listening and for rectifying the mistake. http://archive.is/E7huN

Aimee Challenor: Have signed this letter to the BACP concerning Transgender Trend’s letter in Therapy Today. Massive thanks to @CounsellingKaz for organising. http://archive.is/2Wft1
Sam Hope: Please sign this. I am particularly devastated about this after the enormous emotional labour I expended working through the same issue 2 years ago with @BACP when they published a similar letter from the Exact Same Person http://archive.is/guQC2

Crowdfunder
TransAdvocate: Apparently @crowdfunderuk is choosing to associate itself with and materially support an anti-trans hate group that's trying to target trans children with reparative therapy. #BoycottCrowdfunderUK http://archive.is/KySpW

Zack Ford: Hey @crowdfunderuk, why are you helping an anti-trans group raise money? http://archive.is/9AKGA

Fox Fisher: Just reported this negative group which are raising money on @crowdfunderuk to spread their transphobia, fear-mongering and propaganda. Trans rights are human rights. https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/transgender-trend-school-resources ... -- Report this project too. http://archive.is/97xl5

Joss Prior: Excellent news!!!! transgendertrend are also using paypal and direct bank payments for donations....... it's all about the money!! Please report to paypal! http://archive.is/nucGC

Gendered Intelligence: As @mimmymum says, Transgender Trend were raising money to develop anti-trans resources for schools, not fundraising for school children. You can report this inaccurate headline to @IpsoNews http://archive.is/xluVG

Sarah Kage: Pro hate-speech group are upset they're not allowed to get money, for a bit. @Transgendertrd is a hate group, who peddle lies, make no mistake. http://archive.is/GWwRm

Gendered Intelligence: Missed the news that Crowdfunder has suspended Transgender Trend's campaign to promote anti-trans material among teachers? @YasNecati has the latest: http://archive.is/nW4sg

Gendered Intelligence: We are disappointed to learn that @crowdfunderuk has unsuspended Transgender Trend's fundraising campaign. It is unclear why material that says being trans "contradicts material reality", is "social contagion" and constitutes a mental illness is not against Crowdfunder guidelines http://archive.is/RsjP2

Fox Fisher: Not good enough @crowdfunderuk - This funding page you re-instated is for a guide which trashes trans people and this has severe affects on the well being of trans youth. Shame on you. I'm never using you or recommending you again. http://archive.is/KFQuB

Trans Media Watch: Pink News explains what has actually happened with that crowdfunding campaign for transphobic teacher resources: http://archive.is/pjbmQ

Trans Media Watch: The Times has a deeply misleading article falsely conflating the banning of a crowdfunding campaign for transphobic teacher resources with taking money from children: http://archive.is/GiuCi
Joss Prior: Worth remembering Crowdfunder banned TransgenderTrend from using the platform to raise money to push illegal guidance onto schools. Whilst @kiritunks is heavily involved....... her position and beliefs are a danger to trans children. http://archive.is/tBGW9

**Association with far-right evangelicals**

**Dad Trans**: The organisation 'Hands Across The Aisle' is the link between Transgender Trend & the Family Research Council. They are one & the same. http://archive.is/E8DVr

**Helen Islan**: TERFs have some interesting bedfellows! Breibart reading white supremacist conspiracy theorists! *This* is who is funding the Transgender Trend school pack!!! http://archive.is/tujWI

**Joss Prior**: TransgenderTrend have some interesting followers..... Including Jeanette Howard an ex-lesbian who pushes a biblical strain of conversion therapy onto other members of the LGBT community, not just trans... but also believes LGB should repent ..... http://archive.is/9VBxB

**Dad Trans**: Trans Trend & Hands Across the Aisle link to each others websites and support each others campaigns. I would not be at all surprised if anti LGBT money was coming in from US Evangelical Right. http://archive.is/1g90e

**Casey Explosion**: Here's something extra curious. Privately, their US affiliates plan to push the Transgender Trend "resource pack" in US schools. Weird how someone affiliated with US evangelical hate groups (who is maybe funded by them?) is producing material for them? http://archive.is/Vnd4U

**Queen Hatshepsut**: Don’t forget the links between evangelical homophobic, transphobic right wing organisations outside of the U.S., populated by the likes of Rupert Murdoch’s mother, with the organised campaign of British transphobia from the likes of Stephanie Davies-Arai of “TransgenderTrend”. http://archive.is/DzUdm

**Kale**: Also known to be being bankrolled by Right Wing Hate organisations, are Transgender Trend, another UK anti trans "feminist" group. They only use feminism to get what they want, they're also willing to work with far right organisations to get what they want http://archive.is/p8uDP

**Miscellaneous**

**Stephen Whittle** calls Transgender Trend 'Scammers making money from the vulnerable' http://archive.is/DKaAL

Action is needed NOW. Bob Withers, Stephanie Arai-Davies and Transgender Trend - all mentioned in this story - are linked, and Bob Withers has been banging in about stopping gender reassignment assessment and treatment for adults and adolescents for over 10 years

Write to the mail NOW - question the whole premise of Withers and Transgender Trend (lol them up). They say they were set up by parents but only 2 therapists mentioned as founders. This is a rotten scam preying on the vulnerable. I am VERY angry. http://archive.is/yWiWb http://archive.is/jinLM

**Lisa**: Step 1 of abuse. Isolation Mumsnet and Transgender Trend. Step 1 of having a trans kid. ISOLATION
Trans Devon: That ended well for the parents of Leelah Alcorn who did exactly that. Is Stephanie Davies-Arai (@cwknews) complicit in teenagers self-harming and worse by recommending parents take this course of action? [http://archive.is/esuBR]

Queen Hatshepsut: Stephanie Davis-Arai promotes myths & lies about transgender children in order to promote stigma & misunderstanding in much the same way the Australian Family Association seek to do. Safe schools initiatives might have saved the life of Tyrone Unsworth. [http://archive.is/zX3Go]

Trans Devon: Doesn't this sound exactly like what Transgender Trend is trying to do in abusing the human rights of people who are transgender - especially transgender children. [http://archive.is/PuqSZ]

Joss Prior: Stephanie Davies-Arai of transgender trend and no experience with children cis or trans, explains how she hit 'peak trans' because of a tweet, how she was shocked groups would support trans kids, calls children's charities and support groups 'lobbyists', placing herself as saviour [http://archive.is/Yy2Kv]

Guiliana London: Stephanie Davies-Arai of Transgender Trend: * openly abuses trans people * is associate of individual who posted porn and who outed kids on twitter * gave talk in Parliament for David TC Davies MP ( host of event in parliament advocating for the “erasure” of trans people) [http://archive.is/WbuHl]

Queen Hatshepsut: Trans kids around the world are at risk of being shamed and rejected by parents and families because they don’t conform to strictly cis heteronormative notions of gender. Stephanie Davies-Arai targets trans kids with a dangerous campaign of merciless prejudice and intolerance. [http://archive.is/Bizr9]

Trans Devon: A really good article in support of trans kids and on the damage that the 80% desistance myth is causing and which groups like @Transgendertrd and @4thwavenow use to promulgate their anti-trans rhetoric. [http://archive.is/f9w1C]

TransAdvocate: ATTN: We are looking for families and schools who experienced trauma, injury, or disruption resulting from the false medical & psychological propaganda spread by TransgenderTrend, 4thWaveNow, ROGD, etc. [http://archive.is/eeTXw]

TransAdvocate: Interesting how @Transgendertrd has to lie to promote their agenda. It's almost as if they're okay with sacrificing the lives of trans kids if it advances their personal ideology. [http://archive.is/vXqjM]

Support U LGBT+: Have you seen this logo? We want you to know they are #transphobic and ANTI-LGBT+. If you are seeking resources to support your trans child send us a message. If you see this group in your child’s school give us a call, we’ll sort it out. [http://archive.is/RU446]

Dr Adrian Harrop: @Transgendertrd are an extremist, #transphobic hate group who distribute hateful, bigoted materials, attempting to invalidate #trans children, & preventing them from accessing the treatment, care & support they need. #TransgenderTrend has no place in our children’s schools. [http://archive.is/8Fbnox]

Dad Trans: Radio4 @BBCWomansHour Stephanie (transphobic trend) Arai, is a propagandist, a charlatan, a quack of the worst kind who has written a book with the principal aim of erradicating the existence of trans children. She is the modern day cross between Mary Whitehouse & Andrew Wakefield [http://archive.is/fohou]
Queen Hatshepsut: Stephanie Davies-Arai of TransgenderTrend, a sculptor with no professional, clinical qualification, has NO business on this show discussing the complex phenomenon of gender dysphoria in young people. She is an ignorant, tin foil hat conspiracy theorist and a transphobic bigot. http://archive.is/rBuss

Izzy Rizinti: What happened to you @BBCWomensHour ??? You've just platformed a hate group who are targeting trans children. Did you even check Stephanie Davies-Arai’s background? She has ZERO expertise re: trans kids development issues. NONE. What happened to your journalistic integrity? http://archive.is/XDgJB

The Only Sprout: WTAF, you had Stephanie Davies Arai on? She's a self styled "expert" on trans kids having only spoken to 10 trans people in about 3 years, no trans kids at all. Her only expertise is in sculpture! http://archive.is/16DQJ

Helen Islan: @BBCWomansHour @janegarvey1 - You just gave a national platform to a woman with NO QUALIFICATIONS in transgender issues, has admitted to only ever meeting TEN trans people, and who set up a platform to lobby for REMOVAL OF TRANS KIDS RIGHTS against Equality Act legislation! http://archive.is/jPS2w

Hugh Easton: Transgender Trend is a trans hate site, and filled with anti transgender propaganda. Personally, I'd go with what the peer reviewed scientific research and government commissions of enquiry say. http://archive.is/XbX9C

Guiliana London: 'Transgender Trend' site repulsive. Jaw dropping transphobic bigotry dressed up in pseudo science and intellectual dishonesty @cwknews #lgbt http://archive.is/HiAm6

Tara Hewitt: Why trans people have very little respect for @TaviAndPort it's not political to condemn an abusive resource that will harm trans people. As usual NHS specialist services not supporting trans people #WSPFEvents http://archive.is/rgv7H

Dad Trans: I don't understand the concept of 'neutrality' here. WPATH & the NHS service spec give clear remit for education & advocacy. GIDS Tavistock however, leave an information vacuum which allows transphobic lobbyists to spread mistruths. Too frequently Tavi are part of the problem. http://archive.is/9PZ0g