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From Steve Brine MP

Letter by email to
Rt Hon Steve Barclay MP
Secretary of State for Health and Social Care

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Dear Steve

I'm writing to express concern about the closure of the mpox vaccination programme, which is due to end for the first dose on 16 June and for the second dose on 31 July.

As I'm sure you're aware, data published by the UKHSA last week showed an increase in cases of mpox in London over the last four weeks, with 10 new cases since 4 May. I'm sure you will agree with me that vaccination is crucial to protect people and keep numbers of new cases down. With this in mind, I would urge you to consider extending the vaccination programme.

I know that you will also agree that it's vital to ensure that sexual health services are adequately paid to deliver the vaccinations as they are clearly an important part of the delivery network.

Yours sincerely

Steve Brine MP
Chair, Health and Social Care Committee