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Motion Name: Students' Health Service to be Accessible to All Genders

Background:

1. The students' health service currently has 'check in' touchscreens.
2. These screens offer you set questions. in order to confirm that you are there for your appointment. The first being whether you are 'Male' or 'Female'.
3. Currently you can also check in by going up to the desk and asking someone at reception to do it manually. This does not require a gender to be spoken aloud or acknowledged.
4. The student health service uses a system powered by NHS England that all GP practices use.

Purpose:

1. Every person regardless of their gender, or whether it fits into the binary of 'Male' or 'Female', deserves to be accommodated and supported by their University services.
2. Processes that are available to make services more accessible should be easily available and made known to all users.
3. One should not be made uncomfortable at the prospect of accessing basic healthcare.

Action:

1. Mandate the elected officer team to work with the University to ensure that any alternative processes for avoiding the binary gender options are better known to the users of the Students' Health Service.
2. Lobby for a different selection of questions to be used as identifiers to the Student Health Service.
3. Lobby NHS England to alter its system to allow different institutions to pick their identifier questions.

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