



Progress Educational Trust

informing debate on assisted conception and genetics

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Progress Educational Trust moves up a gear

The charity Progress Educational Trust, which aims to improve the choices for people affected by infertility and genetic conditions, has appointed its first head of communications, Dr Catherine Hill.

Sarah Norcross, director of PET, said: 'We welcome Dr Catherine Hill as the charity moves forwards: her engagement will enable PET to reach wider audiences through traditional print and broadcast media, as well as through social media. Those of you who engage with PET on social media will have already noticed some changes. PET is extremely grateful to Wellcome, as it is through their Sustaining Excellence Award that her role has been funded.'

Dr Hill said: 'I'm very much looking forward to working with the amazing PET team, developing the press office, increasing social media engagement and continuing PET's work: campaigning for ethical advances in fertility and genomics; encouraging public debate on these issues; and influencing the development of policy that is better aligned with science, reflects the best interests of patient and public communities, and keeps pace with change.'

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Notes for editors

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1. The Progress Educational Trust (PET) is a UK charity working to advance public understanding of, and engagement with, science, law and ethics in the fields of human genetics, human reproduction, embryology and stem cell research. Funded by grants

and public donations, PET aims to improve the choices for people affected by infertility or genetic conditions. <https://www.progress.org.uk/>

2. PET organises free-to-attend events debating the responsible application of reproductive and genetic science and publishes BioNews, a free comment and news service. Subscribe to BioNews at <https://www.bionews.org.uk/subscribe>

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