

# BRIGHT LIGHTS AWARDS

## Nomination: Health equity at the centre

### Queen Square FHT Gender Clinic - Erin Ziegler, NP Nurse Practitioner led Gender clinic



The transgender population remains one of the most marginalized in healthcare. They are often denied care, left on waiting lists or travel great distances to access care. Erin Ziegler is a known expert nurse researcher in this specialty area. With the need for this population identified, Erin was approached by our past Executive Director Neil Shah to explore the possibilities of a future program. Upon Erin's hire, the journey began. Erin has worked to eliminate barriers to provide safe and gender-affirming primary care to over 200 transgender and non-binary individuals in the last year.