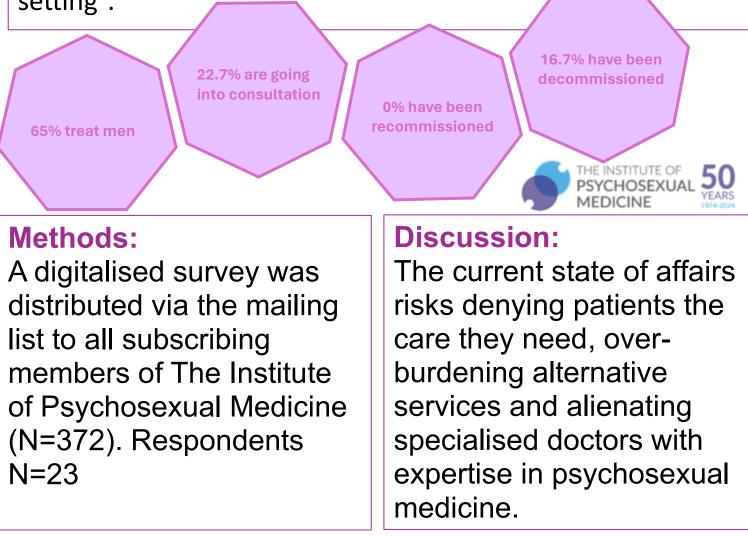
## A commissioning conundrum or clinical crisis?

## Introduction:

The decommissioning of psychosexual medicine services in the UK involves their deliberate discontinuation or reduction by health authorities, due to budget constraints, changes in healthcare priorities, or restructuring of healthcare provision<sup>1</sup>. The potential ramifications of decommissioning these services are manifold. Patient's presenting to psychosexual services will often have had multiple negative experiences and/or interventions within the healthcare setting<sup>2</sup>.



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