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Joyce Harper is Professor of Reproductive Science at University College London in the Institute for Women's Health where she is head of the Reproductive Health Department, Principal Investigator of the Reproductive Science Group, Director of Education and Director of the Centre for Reproductive Health. She is a Director of the Embryology and PGD Academy which she established with Alpesh Doshi in 2014 and founder of Global Women Connected.

She has worked in the fields of IVF and reproductive genetics since 1987, written over 180 scientific papers and published two textbooks. After researching into preimplantation genetics for over 20 years, she is now looking at the social, legal and ethical aspects of assisted reproductive technologies, from social egg freezing to genome editing.

Joyce is a passionate educator at all levels, from the general public to PhD students. She is currently writing a book on women's health, especially the reproductive years. She is invited to numerous international meetings, including key note and plenary lectures. She is regularly interviewed by TV, radio and the press.

Joyce has had many senior roles in the European Society of Human Reproduction and Embryology. She was a director of the British Fertility Society and International Society of Prenatal Diagnosis and a founding member of the Preimplantation Genetic Diagnosis International Society. She is chair of the Human Fertilization and Embryology Authority Horizon Scanning Group and an advisor to the HFEA Science and Clinical Advances Advisory Committee. She was a member of the Nuffield Council for Bioethics working group on genome editing. She is currently a director of the International Society of IVF and co-founder of the Fertility Education Initiative.

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