

**Exposed: Consultants help send couples abroad for gender selection procedure that's outlawed in UK**

# DOCTORS CASHING IN ON 'ILLEGAL' DESIGNER IVF BABIES



**'It's illegal here. I send most of my couples to Dubai — we get you ready and I let them know'**

**CONSULTANT SARA MATTHEWS**

**AN NHS consultant is charging couples to help choose the sex of their baby — despite gender selection being illegal in the UK.**

He is among at least four senior British doctors enabling the treatment. They set up initial appointments at private clinics in Harley Street

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and around the country before recommending centres abroad for the final procedure.

An investigation by the Daily Mail

suggests hundreds of British couples are choosing the sex of their child this way. They pay up to £14,000 for the privilege.

The Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority last night launched a probe, saying it would be extremely concerned by the promotion of the practice.

Three of the four doctors indicated there was no need for couples to tell their GPs about gender selection — one claiming it would only

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