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Dear Sir/Madam

We note that a document entitled an Evaluation of the Implementation of the Equalities Act 2010 was published on 3 December 2012 and it appears to be a report on a telephone survey of a number of employers and relates to their understanding and/or treatment of some aspects of employment issues.

Clearly the Equality Act 2010 covers more than employment as a focus and does in fact cover goods, services and facilities. May we ask therefore when a similar piece of research will be undertaken to evaluate the impact of the Act on these other vital aspects? To be of merit it should, as the evaluation of the 3<sup>rd</sup> December clearly did not, reveal how the implementation of the Act affects people with particular protected characteristics. Is there evidence that employers are more familiar with dealing with claims or allegations relating to race verses gender for example?

I would welcome your speedy response as it is of some interest to our members that DCMS now has the lead within Government on these important matters.

Yours faithfully

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