



Application for Membership

Women's Health in the South East

New Member

Membership Renewal

Name:

Address:

Suburb: Post Code:

Phone: Mobile:

Email:

Membership is free and entitles you to vote, stand for election as a member of Council, free access to our library, invitation to WHISE events, and inclusion on our mailing list.

Are you happy to receive information from WHISE through email? Yes No

Are you happy to receive information about other programs and projects that WHISE is involved in? Yes No

I agree with the Statement of Purpose and wish to become a member of Women's Health in the South East Incorporated for the period ending 30th June. Membership is for the current year only and expires at the end of every financial year on June 30th. As a member of the Association I shall at all times comply with the rules of the service.

I accept that Women's Health in the South East's Constitution requires that my name, address and date of entry into membership shall be kept in a membership register and that this is available for inspection by the members at the address of Women's Health in the South East for the purposes of the Association.

Signature of applicant: **Date:**

Please complete and return to:

Women's Health in the South East
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Statement of Purpose

- To maintain a Women's Health Service that is community-based and run by women for women in the Department of Health – Southern Metropolitan Region.
- To ensure that the resources of the Association are used in ways that acknowledge and include women with special needs who are overlooked by the health system. The Association will offer assistance to those in disadvantaged and necessitous circumstances through the most appropriate means.
- To provide information which will assist women to have control over their bodies in every aspect of health care.
- To promote the health of women through consultancy and training to women's health groups, professional health workers and other appropriate individuals and groups.
- To monitor women's health research and collect information about the needs of women in the South-East Region. To utilise this information to initiate public debate and promote community awareness of these issues.
- To liaise with and complement other existing health services in the South-East Metropolitan Region in order to develop programs, services and methods of delivery sensitive to the special needs of women.
- To advocate for and effect improvements in the policy and service levels of health organisations in regard to women's health.
- To recognise and support principles of self help.
- To develop ways of working which are accessible, non-judgemental, give dignity and respect and give women's perspective the highest priority.
- To explore and develop an holistic view of health and a wide range of alternatives to complement traditionalist medical treatment.
- To provide a management of the Association which encourages a collective approach and full participation of all women in the decision making process.
- To advocate and support other individuals and organisations in the development and implementation of affirmative action policies and programs to redress disadvantages faced by women.
- To engage in any activity which is consistent with these purposes and which concerns women's health.