

THE ABORTION PROJECT

A peer support network for people who have had abortions. By people who have had abortions, for people who have had abortions.

Position Title: Peer Support Group Coordinator
Organisation: The Abortion Project
Location: Walyalup/Fremantle
Reports To: Leadership team
Position Type: Volunteer (approximately 4 hours a week)

About us:

The Abortion Project is a pro-abortion, pro-choice network of peer support groups for people who have had abortions. Our mission is to develop a safe and supportive community for those who have had abortions, and to advocate for better access to abortion care in Australia. We believe that everyone should have the right to access safe and affordable abortion care, and that access to compassionate aftercare should be a central part of the conversation around abortion. Through our peer support groups and advocacy work, we aim to build solidarity and support for individuals who have had abortions, and to promote reproductive justice for all.

We are a non for profit organisation that runs completely on a volunteer basis, by people who have had abortions.

Our values:

- Community
- Hope
- Empowerment
- Pro-abortion
- Pro-choice

Position Summary:

The Peer Support Group Coordinator is responsible for overseeing the peer support group program at The Abortion Project in Walyalup/Fremantle. The Coordinator will manage a team of facilitators who provide peer support to individuals who have had abortions. The Coordinator will work closely with the leadership team to ensure the smooth functioning of the peer support group.

Responsibilities

Coordinate the Walyalup/Fremantle peer support group program:

- Monitoring the group sign up form
- Identifying and assessing new members, using our new member policy and procedure protocols
- Develop a roster for the facilitators
- Adding new members to the group chat
- Identifying lead facilitator for each session and communicating with them what needs to be prepared for the upcoming session
- Updating members on time, date and topic of the sessions
- Organising any other logistics necessary for the group to go ahead.
- Identify new potential group facilitators, and refer them to The Abortion Project leadership team
- Conduct regular check-ins with the facilitators
- Work with the Co-founders to develop program policies and procedures, and assist with compliance with organisational policies and procedures
- Maintain accurate records of program activities and participate in program evaluation and reporting, and provide updates to the leadership team.
- Attend meetings and trainings as required
- Participate in supervision provided in partnership with Progressive Therapeutic Collective (PTC)

Skills and Experience:

Essential

- Commitment to reproductive justice and the mission of The Abortion Project
- Lived experience of abortion/s

Desirable

- Experience in a related field (e.g. social work, psychology, public health, social sciences).
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Demonstrated ability to manage and supervise volunteers
- Strong organisational and administrative skills, with attention to detail
- Ability to work with individuals from diverse backgrounds and identities

Location:

Mainly remote, however you may be required to attend events and training in person from time to time depending on where you are located.

The Abortion Project is a community led response to a gap in the provision of abortion services. As such, potential Coordinators who are based in Walyalup/Fremantle and Boorloo/Perth will be prioritised.

Benefits of volunteering for The Abortion Project:

- The opportunity to make a positive impact in the lives of people who have had abortions
- The chance to gain experience in peer support, advocacy, and reproductive justice
- The ability to develop and strengthen interpersonal and communication skills
- The opportunity to work with a diverse group of individuals
- The chance to participate in trainings and workshops on topics related to reproductive health and justice
- The ability to build relationships with like-minded individuals and develop a sense of community
- The opportunity to build your resume and gain valuable professional experience
- The opportunity to further develop and strengthen skills and knowledge through supervision from a Social Worker provided in-kind by PTC.



To Apply:

Submit your resume and a one-page cover letter or statement about your commitment and understanding of reproductive justice. Please also outline relevant skills and experience in reference to the criteria outlined above. We are interested in how you relate and demonstrate an alignment with our values.

Applications to be sent to hello@theabortionproject.com.au