



THE ABORTION PROJECT

Position Title: Lead Facilitator & Co-facilitator roles

Location: Walyalup/Fremantle

Position Type: Volunteer role (approximately 2-3 hours per 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 provide safe, supportive spaces and to advocate for better access to abortion care in Australia. We believe that everyone has the right to safe and affordable abortion, and that compassionate aftercare must be part of the conversation.

Through our peer support groups and advocacy, we work to build solidarity for people who have had abortions and to promote reproductive justice for all.

Position Summary:

Facilitators will lead peer support groups in Walyalup/Fremantle for people who have had abortions. Drawing on their lived experience, they will support and guide group members in open and respectful discussions.

- **Lead Facilitator:** Oversees group coordination, member intake, and facilitator support.
- **Co-facilitators:** Share responsibility for planning and running sessions alongside another facilitators.

All facilitators will take part in training, debriefing, and supervision, and will collaborate closely with the wider team.

Co-facilitator Responsibilities:

- Co-facilitate peer support group sessions on a fortnightly basis
- Use lived experience of abortion to support and guide group members
- Take part in training and ongoing professional development
- Work collaboratively with volunteers to ensure program success
- Maintain confidentiality and follow program policies
- Share feedback with the Lead Facilitator and team to strengthen the program

Lead Facilitator Responsibilities

- Monitor group sign-ups and manage intake of new members

- Develop facilitator rosters and plan sessions with co-facilitators
- Communicate with group members about session times, dates, and topics
- Check in regularly with co-facilitators to provide support
- Work with the Co-founders to develop and uphold program policies and procedures
- Keep accurate records and contribute to program evaluation and reporting
- Attend meetings, training, and regular supervision with the Lead Facilitator in Naarm, provided by a trained Counsellor from Progressive Therapeutic Collective (PTC)

Skills and Experience:

Essential

- Lived experience of abortion
- Commitment to reproductive justice and the mission of The Abortion Project
- Ability to maintain confidentiality and uphold program policies
- Understanding of the importance of self-care and ability to model healthy coping strategies

Desirable

- Experience facilitating peer support groups (training provided if new to facilitation)
- Understanding of peer support principles: mutuality, honesty, authenticity
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Knowledge of abortion history, politics, discourses
- Familiarity with reproductive justice principles

Benefits of volunteering for The Abortion Project:

- Make a meaningful impact in the lives of people who have had abortions
- Share and draw on your lived experience to support others
- Build and strengthen facilitation, communication, and interpersonal skills
- Join a diverse team and expand cultural competency
- Access training and workshops on reproductive health and justice
- Receive support through supervision and peer debriefing
- Contribute to destigmatising abortion and advancing reproductive justice
- Gain valuable professional experience in a not-for-profit setting