

## Women's Sexual and Reproductive Health Coalition

## We are dedicated to driving positive change to enhance women's sexual and reproductive health outcomes in Australia

The Women's Sexual and Reproductive Health Coalition was formed in 2020 to advocate for more equitable and improved sexual and reproductive health care in Australia. The Coalition is a cross-sectoral, multidisciplinary alliance comprising clinician experts and consumers, representatives from peak bodies and key stakeholder organisations and eminent Australian and international researchers. Members collectively advocate for evidence-informed policy and practices in women's sexual and reproductive health care through consensus statements that address:

- Improving access to effective contraception in Australia
- Removing barriers to abortion services
- Reproductive health policy and strategies

## Coalition advocacy work and successes

- The introduction of permanent MBS-funded telehealth item numbers for sexual and reproductive health services to improve access, particularly for women living in rural and remote areas
- Government funding to support health practitioners to undertake training in LARC insertion and removal
- A review of the Medicare rebates for LARC insertion
- Improving access to medical abortion by expanding the range of prescribers and removing prescriber and dispenser registration and certification requirements for MS-2 Step
- Government funding to develop a virtual contraceptive decision-making tool to increase access to contraceptive information and improve contraceptive knowledge among women
- Government funding to build a dataset on sexual and reproductive health services to identify areas where there is unmet need

## Why should you join and work with the Coalition?

The Coalition works collaboratively with its members to address current and emerging issues at both the national and state level that impact on women's sexual and reproductive health. The multidisciplinary and cross-sectoral nature of the Coalition ensures that there is a balance of expertise and perspectives that can be used to inform solutions to issues that are relevant to many jurisdictions across Australia. By joining the Coalition, your voice will help strengthen our response to policy issues and facilitate change that can positively impact on the sexual and reproductive health of women in Australia.