# Women With Disabilities Australia National Alliance Policy Advisory Group (PAG)

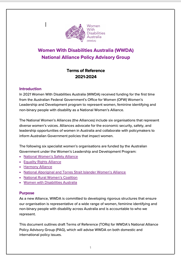
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## About this document



We are **Women With Disabilities Australia**. We will write **WWDA** when we talk about us.

This document is a summary of the **WWDA  
National Alliance Policy Advisory Group**

**Terms of Reference**.



This document is written in an easy to read way.

We have written some words in **bold underline**.

We explain these words in the document.

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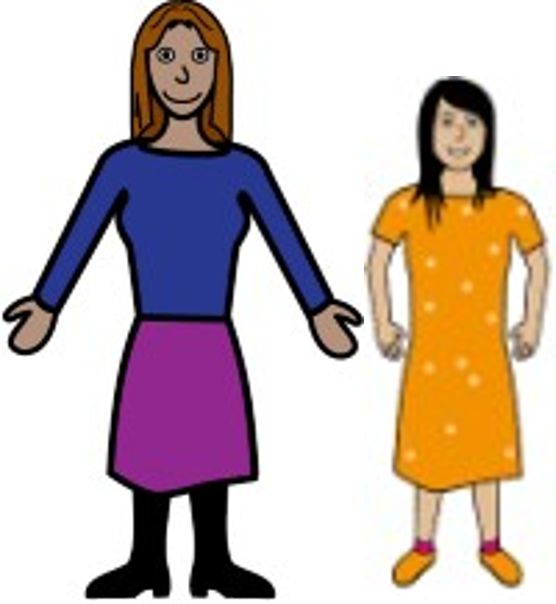
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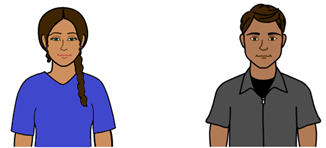
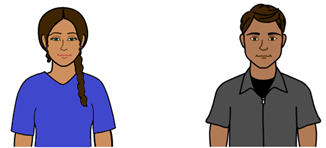
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## About WWDA

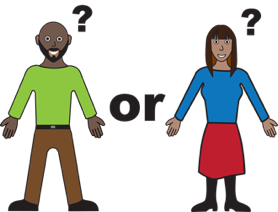
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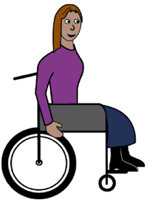
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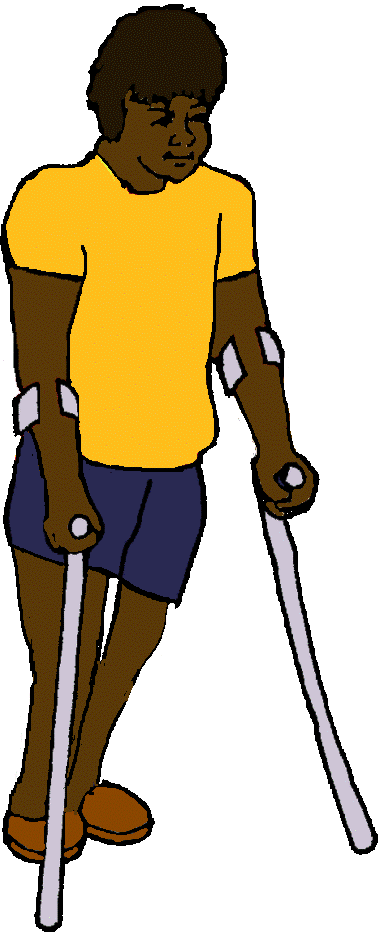
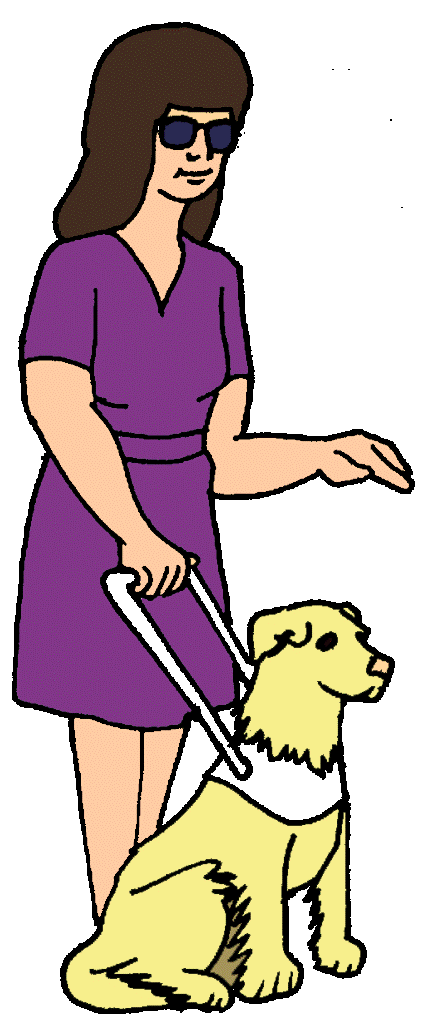


* **feminine identifying** people



* and **non-binary people**

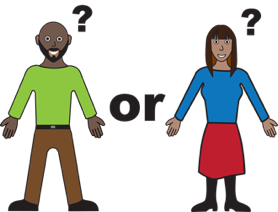


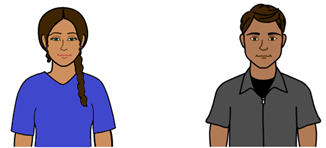
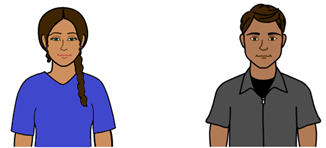


* who have a disability

  
and

* who live in Australia.

**Non-Binary** is a way to describe the genderof people who are not women or men.



**Feminine identifying** is a way to describe people who see themselves more as a woman than a man.

Learn about **disability**.

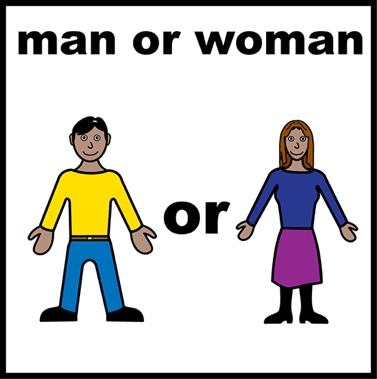
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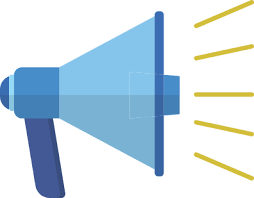
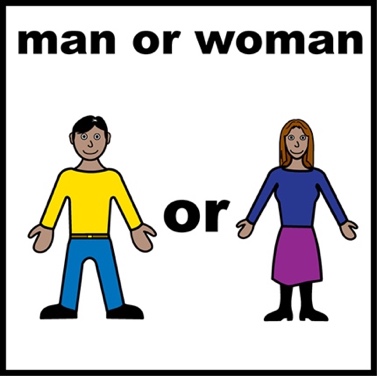
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**What is a Disability?**



WWDA helps all women, girls, feminine identifying and non-binary people with disability have good lives.

## About the National Women’s Alliances



National Women’s Alliances are a group of 6 organisations that speak up for women.



The National Women Alliances are funded by the Australian Government.



In 2021, WWDA was funded as a National Women’s Alliance for women, girls, feminine identifying and non-binary people with disability.

As a National Women’s Alliance we

* speak up for women, girls, feminine identifying and non-binary people with disability
* tell the Government what needs to change.

****The other National Women’s Alliances are



* [The National Women’s Safety Alliance](https://nwsa.org.au/)



* [Equality Rights Alliance](https://www.equalityrightsalliance.org.au/)



* [Harmony Alliance](http://harmonyalliance.org.au/)



* [National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women’s Alliance](http://natsiwa.org.au/)



* [National Rural Women’s Coalition](http://www.nrwc.com.au/).

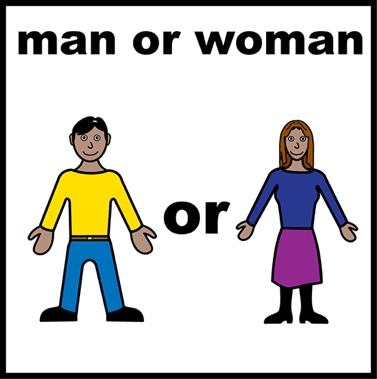
## About the WWDA National Alliance Policy Advisory Group



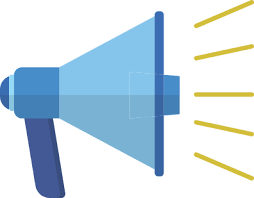
WWDA is starting a National   
Alliance Policy Advisory Group.



The Advisory Group will tell WWDA



* what women, girls feminine identifying and non-binary people with disability need to live good lives



* what WWDA should tell Government.



The Advisory Group will also help WWDA make resources for women and girls with disability. Like



* fact sheets

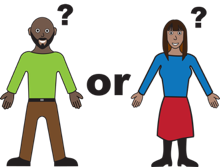
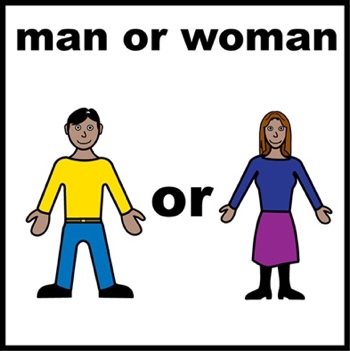


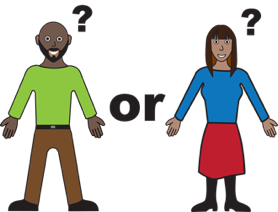
* website information



* videos.

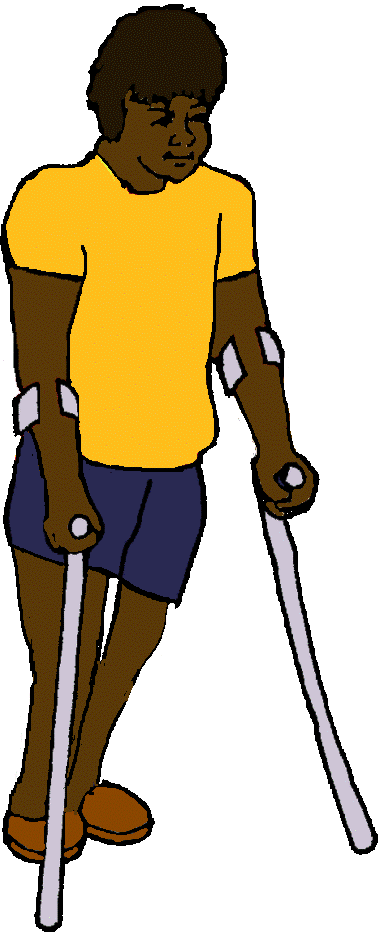
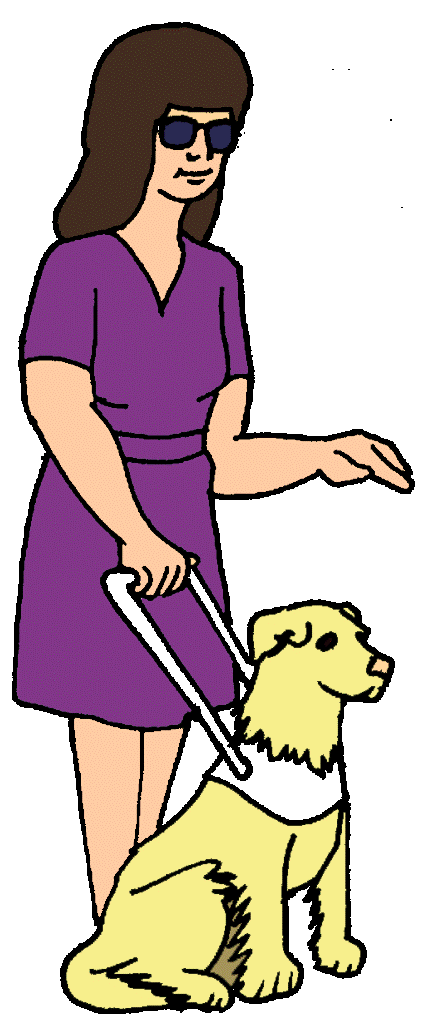
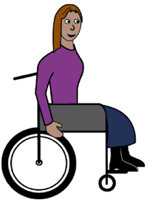
The WWDA Alliance Policy Advisory Group will include 10 members who



* ****are women
* feminine identifying

or

* non-binary people



* have any type of disability

and



* live in Australia.

## Organisational Members

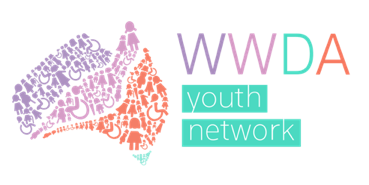
3 members of the Policy Advisory Group will **represent** the following groups



* [Women With Disabilities ACT](https://www.wwdact.org.au/)



* [Women With Disabilities Victoria](https://www.wdv.org.au/)



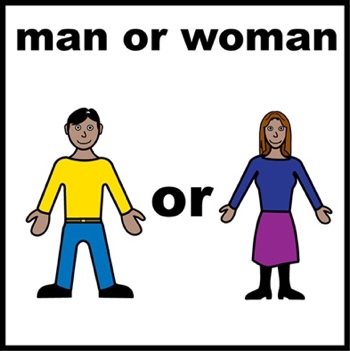
* [The WWDA Youth Advisory Group.](https://wwda.org.au/wwda-youth-advisory-group/)

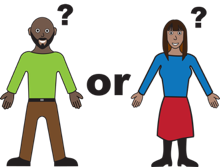
To **represent** means tospeaks up for another person or group of people.

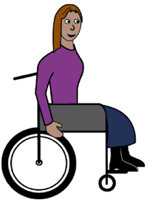
## Individual Members



7 members of the Policy Advisory Group will be individuals who are full members of WWDA.



To be a full member of WWDA you must be

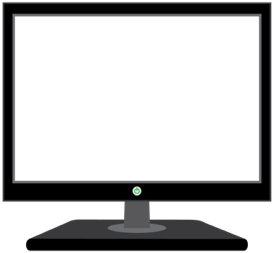
* a womanor **non-binary** person

and

* have a disability.



It is free to be a WWDA member.



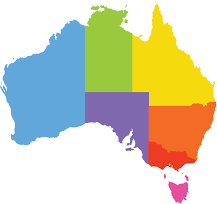
****You can join on the WWDA website.

Go to **www.wwda.org.au**

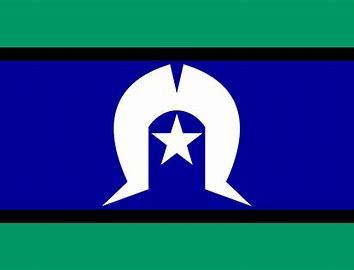
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Members of the Advisory Group will include women with disability who



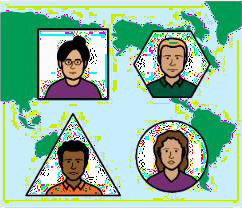
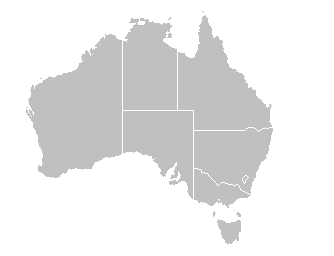
* come from different states and territories in Australia



* are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander
* are from **rural, regional or remote** places

This means you are far from a big city.   
Like

* you live on a farm
* you live in the country.



* are a **migrant or refugee**

This means you moved to Australia.  
You moved from a different country.

* are **lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender,   
  intersex, queer or asexual (LGBTIQA+)**

Want to know **what Is LGBTIQA+?**

Find out more. Read it in Easy English.



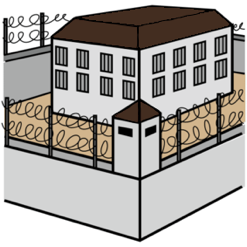
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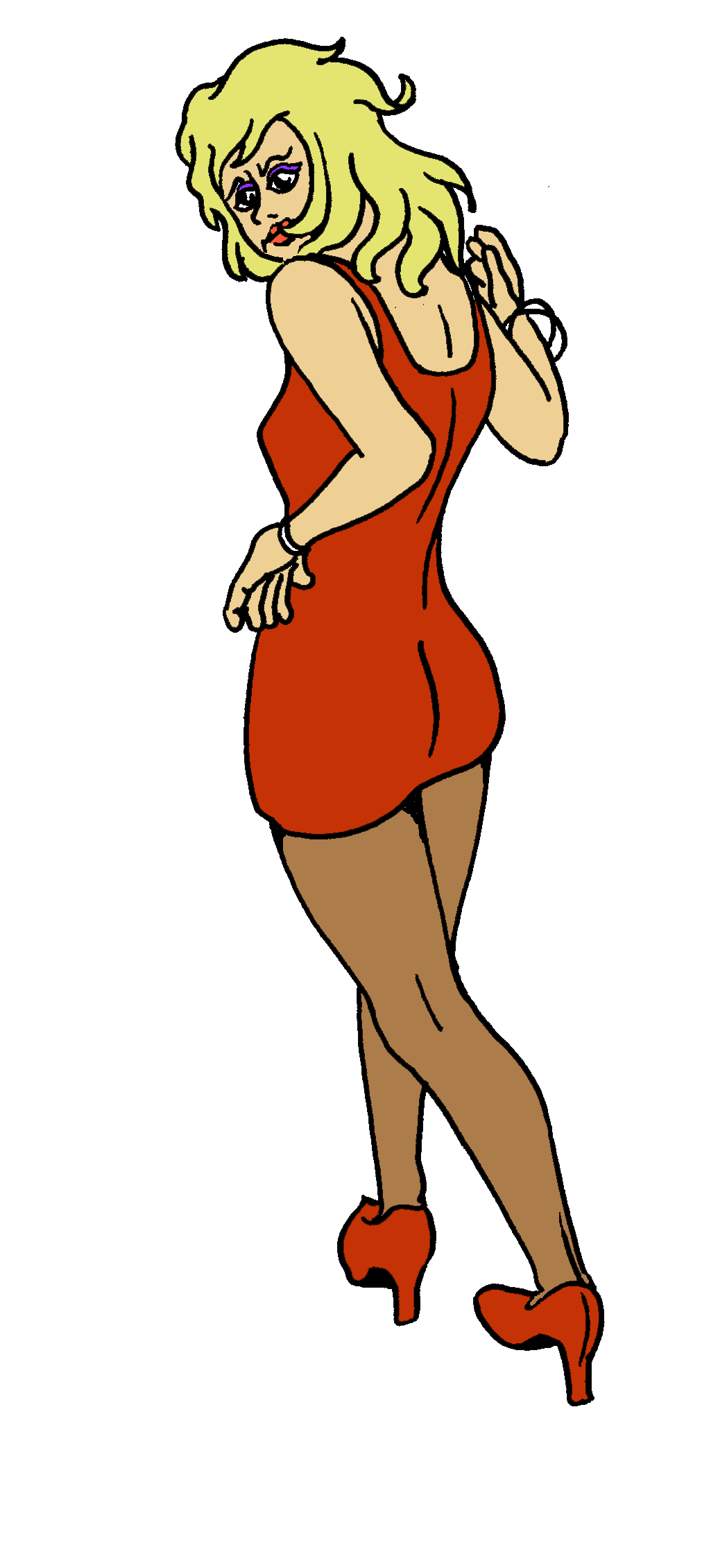
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**What is a LBTIQA+?**

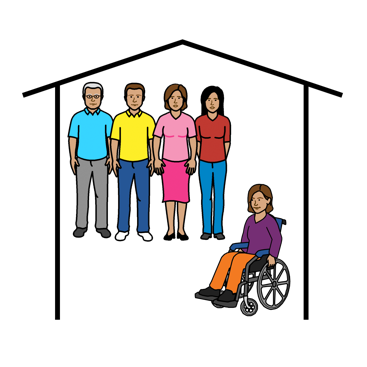
Some members of the Advisory Group may also

* have been in jail



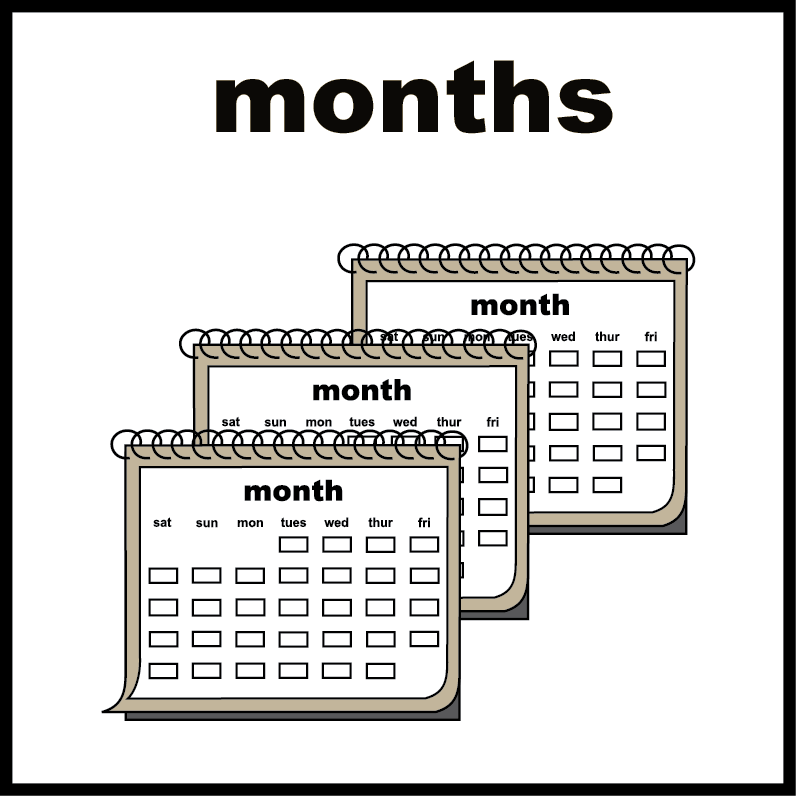


* have done sex work



* have lived somewhere without your family   
  Like
* in foster care
* in a group home for people with disability.

## Meetings of the WWDA National Alliance Policy Advisory Group

The WWDA Policy Advisory Group will meet

* 4 times a year
* from February 2022
* until March 2024.

Meetings will be held on **Zoom**.

**Zoom** is a program that allows you to run or join a meeting online.



Zoom can be used on:

* a computer or laptop
* a smart phone
* on a tablet or iPad.

## Support and Pay WWDA will support members of the Policy Advisory Group to

* take part in meetings
* talk to government.

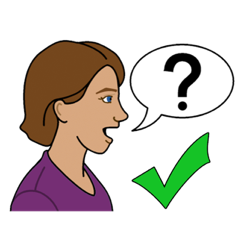
****We can support people by paying for things like

* support people
* Auslan
* captions.



All Policy Advisory Group members will be paid   
$100 for each meeting:

* as a gift card or
* by **invoice.**

**Any questions?**

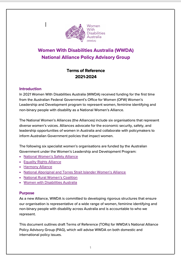
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Contact WWDA’s   
Director of Policy and Programs  
Heidi La Paglia



* email [**Director@wwda.org.au**](mailto:Director@wwda.org.au)

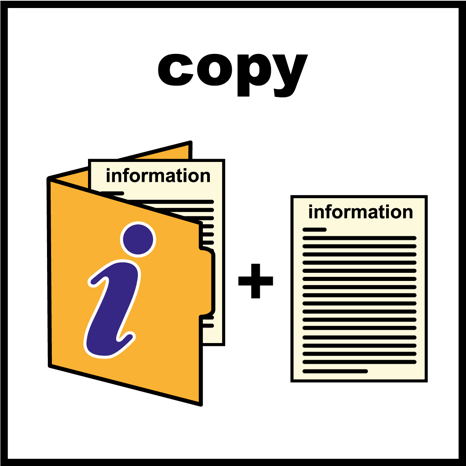


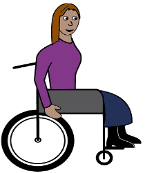
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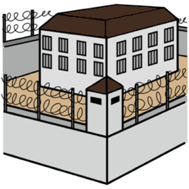
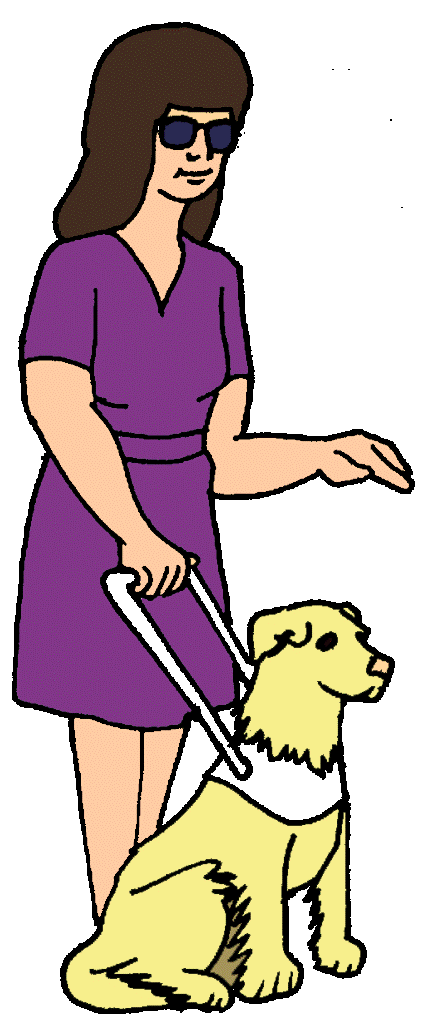
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