Application for Consumer Representative

Rural Maternity Implementation Oversight Committee &

Growing Deadly Families Implementation Oversight Committee

Closing date: 5pm Wednesday, 1 July

**This application form is for two committee roles:**

1. **Rural Maternity Implementation Oversight Committee (RMIOC)**
2. **Growing Deadly Families Implementation Oversight Committee (GDFIOC)**

**It is preferred that one consumer sit in both roles. However, applicants may nominate for one role only if they prefer.**

**Role 1: Rural Maternity Implementation Oversight Committee (RMIOC)**

**Clinical Excellence Queensland, Department of Health, Queensland**

Clinical Excellence Queensland is providing a health consumer representative a unique opportunity to participate on the Rural Maternity Implementation Oversight Committee (RMIOC).

This Committee seeks an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander consumer representative who has:

* Experienced public maternity services, preferably in the past five years and
* preferably has some committee experience, either at the local, Hospital and Health Service, or Statewide level, although this is not essential.

RMIOC is supported by the Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Service (PSQIS) within Clinical Excellence Queensland. PSQIS partners with consumers, clinicians, managers, and executive to support Hospital and Health Services to provide high-quality, patient centred care. (<https://clinicalexcellence.qld.gov.au/about-us/what-we-do/patient-safety-and-quality-improvement-service>)

Purpose

**The purpose of RMIOC is to lead a program of work to improve the safety and sustainability of woman-centred rural and remote public maternity services. It has a focus on ensuring the services are as close to a woman’s home as possible.** The safety of a service includes clinical, social, cultural, spiritual, professional, legal and financial safety.

Established in September 2019, the RMOIC has developed an Implementation plan to address the six recommendations made by the Rural Maternity Taskforce (RMT), and associated Ministerial commitments made in June 2019. RMIOC will oversee:

* The delivery of the Implementation Plan
* The piloting, refining, and implementation of the Rural and Remote Maternity Services Planning Framework that was developed by the Rural Maternity Taskforce.

For information on the Rural Maternity Taskforce and its recommendations, please click [**here**](https://clinicalexcellence.qld.gov.au/priority-areas/patient-experience/rural-maternity-taskforce)

Role of the consumer

1. **Rural Maternity Implementation Oversight Committee (RMIOC)**

Queensland Health values the viewpoint of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community, as a representative for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in rural and remote locations in Queensland, successful applicant will:

* Attend all RMIOC meetings either in person or via video / teleconference link
* Actively participate in all Committee activities such as
* pre-meeting reading
* discussions
* provision of feedback and advice.

RMIOC is co-chaired by:

* **Associate Professor Rebecca Kimble,** Medical Lead, Quality Improvement, Clinical Excellence Queensland
* **Ms Lisa Davies-Jones**, Chief Executive, Office of Rural and Remote Health Establishment.

Membership is comprised of Queensland Health clinicians, health executives, and two consumer representatives from across the state. Consultation and collaboration with a broader range of stakeholders will occur as the Implementation Plan is progressed.

Terms of reference are available from [Rural-Maternity@health.qld.gov.au](mailto:Rural-Maternity@health.qld.gov.au)

Who is it for?

This opportunity would suit a consumer representative who:

* Has experience (in the last five years) of public maternity services in Queensland
* Identifies as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander consumer or family member
* Is passionate about ensuring that maternity services are culturally safe

Whilst committee experience is not required, committee experience either at the local, Hospital and Health Service, or Statewide level is highly desirable.

Time and location

Meetings are held quarterly (February, May, August, November) on a Friday from 11:30 am to 1 pm.

Meetings are held at the Queensland Health building, 15 Butterfield Street, Herston QLD. Videoconferencing, teleconferencing, and online meeting options are available.

**Role 2: Growing Deadly Families Implementation Oversight Committee (GDFIOC)**

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Division, Department of Health, Queensland**

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health Division (A&TSIHD) has a unique opportunity for consumers of maternity services to be a lived experience member on a newly established Growing Deadly Families Implementation Oversight Committee (GDFIOC). The GDFIOC will provide guidance and monitoring for the implementation of the [*Growing Deadly Families Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Maternity Services Strategy 2019-2025*](https://www.health.qld.gov.au/atsihealth/maternity-services) (the Strategy).

Purpose

**The A&TSIHD greatly values the voices and lived experiences of women having Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander babies and their families.** Consumer voices have guided the development of the Strategy and the A&TSIHD want to continue this partnership on the GDFIOC. The GDFIOC will oversee the implementation of the key priorities within the Strategy. The following three key priorities of the Strategy were defined by women having Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander babies and their families:

* “We want a say in how maternity services are designed and delivered” (Partnerships for Governance and Leadership)
* “We don’t want to keep telling our same story to different people” (Continuity of Care)
* “We want more of our people providing our maternity care” (Embedding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workforce and support into health services).

Please see the GDFIOC Terms of Reference attached for more details.

Role of the consumer

1. **Growing Deadly Families Implementation Oversight Committee (GDFIOC)**

The successful applicant will have the opportunity to be involved in a range of activities, including:

* Attending regular GDFIOC meetings where you can actively participate in discussions and contribute your own thoughts and ideas.
* Participating in all GDFIOC activities including pre-meeting reading, discussions, provision of feedback and advice.
* Opportunities to present and speak at forums and other meetings.

Who is it for?

This opportunity would suit a consumer representative who:

* Has experience (in the last five years of public maternity services in Queensland
* Identifies as an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander consumer or family member
* Is passionate about ensuring that maternity services are culturally safe

Whilst committee experience is not required, committee experience either at the local, Hospital and Health Service, or Statewide level would be desirable.

Time and location

Meetings will be held quarterly, with the first meeting being held on Thursday 23 July, time TBC.

Meetings will be held at 33 Charlotte Street Brisbane City 4000 QLD, however remote access will be made available for those that are unable to attend face to face.

Remuneration and Support for both roles

Consumers will be remunerated for their time in line with [Health Consumers Queensland’s remuneration position statement](http://www.hcq.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/Consumer-Remuneration-Rates-Dec-2015.pdf).

$187 per meeting 4 hours and under \*

$374 per meeting 4 hours and over \*

(\*Covers pre-reading and travel time)

Parking and travel expenses will be covered.

Support and information regarding both opportunities will be provided by the secretariat of both committees.

How to apply

**Please complete this consumer application form and return to**[**consumer@hcq.org.au**](mailto:consumer@hcq.org.au)by **5pm Wednesday, 1 July.**

For assistance please contact Health Consumers Queensland via [consumer@hcq.org.au](mailto:consumer@hcq.org.au) or by phone on 07 3012 9090.

**Consumer Application Form**

**Rural Maternity Implementation Oversight Committee and**

**Growing Deadly Families Implementation Oversight Committee**

Full name:

Preferred phone number:

Email:

Postal address:

Postcode:

Please tell us which opportunity you are applying for:

* Rural Maternity Implementation Oversight Committee (RMIOC)
* Growing Deadly Families Implementation Oversight Committee (GDFIOC)
* Both – The successful consumer representative will sit across both oversight committees
* By completing this application, I consent for my details to be added to the Health Consumers Queensland network database YES | NO
* I would like to receive email updates from Health Consumers Queensland YES | NO
* Are you happy for Health Consumers Queensland to share this form with Queensland Health as part of the process for this application? YES | NO

Please highlight any group you identify as being a part of:

* Living with a disability/chronic condition
* Caring for someone with a disability
* Physically isolated or transport disadvantaged
* Culturally or linguistically diverse
* From a non-English speaking background
* LGBTIQ+

Do you identify as: Aboriginal | Torres Strait Islander | Both | Prefer not to state

Are you a: Consumer | Carer

Age range: 16-24 25-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 70+

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| **Gender:** |  Male | Female | Intersex | Other | Prefer not to state |

Please describe any support you need to take part in this activity *(examples include support person, hearing loop, dietary requirements)*

*Your responses to the following questions only need to be a brief sentence or two*

* Please describe your experience as a health consumer representative including committees, focus groups, surveys, governance roles, etc. (Although committee experience is not essential, please tell us other engagement activities you have been involved in).

*Tip: Past consumer representative positions that have similar requirements to the opportunity you’re expressing interest in. Give an indication of how long each position was for, and any relevant highlights.*

* **Please describe any connections you have to your community (e.g. networks, groups)***Tip: Think about how this relates to the role you’re applying for.*
* Please describe your interest and experience of accessing public maternity services? *Tip: Although this section usually requires the longest response, try to keep it concise. Things to consider focusing on here include:*
* *any past lived experience that shows your understanding of the topic, or*
* *your understanding of the social/health/economic implications of the topic/condition, or*
* *Any systems change that you have identified that will improve care for health consumers, and possible strategies you could share to affect that change.*
* Please provide contact details for a staff member from a health service or department you are currently partnering with. (we will advise if you are shortlisted before we contact your referee).

Full name:

Staff Role:

Partnering Activity (eg. Committee Chair):

Organisation:

Phone number:

Email:

Applicant Role: