

who are we?

- We are WLWHIV who are involved in state or territory organisations of people living with HIV or networks of WLWHIV.
- We have a high level of interest in issues relating to WLWHIV and an understanding of the diversity of the needs of WLWHIV.
- We have the capacity to consult with other HIV-positive women at local, state and national level and a willingness to assist NAPWHA to consult appropriately with a diverse range of WLWHIV in Australia.

more about us

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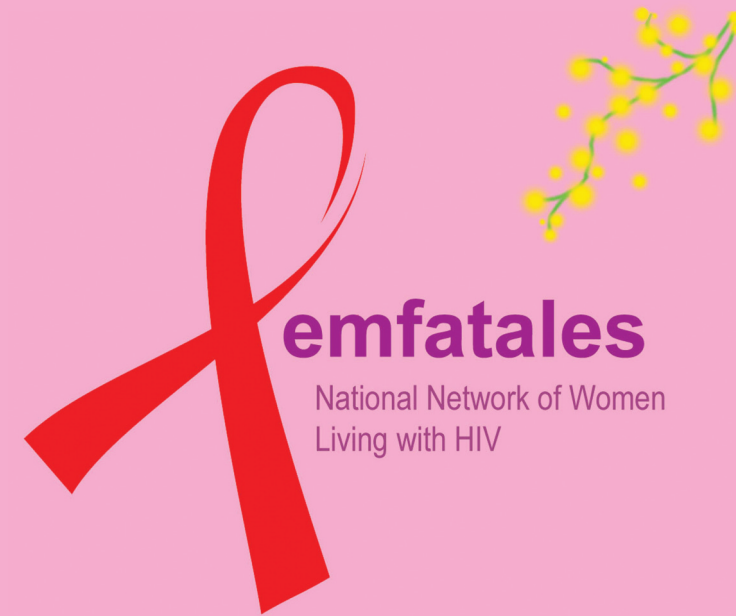
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napwha.org.au/networks-members

Femfatales is committed to strengthening and developing opportunities and approaches that promote peer-based initiatives – we communicate via regular teleconferences, email, and face-to-face meetings.

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what is femfatales?

Femfatales is a national network of women living with HIV (WLWHIV). We provide the National Association of People with HIV Australia (NAPWHA) with

- **an ongoing forum to advocate for issues related to WLWHIV**
- **collaboration in policy work relevant to WLWHIV.**

Femfatales encourages meaningful and productive collaboration between key individuals and organisations involved in policy development related to women living with HIV.

what we do

- We formulate, refine and support NAPWHA's program of women's advocacy work.
- We identify new and emerging issues related to women living with HIV that require the development of recommendations for a national policy response.
- We provide feedback to the NAPWHA Board and Secretariat on relevant issues concerning women living with HIV as they arise.
- We provide input into NAPWHA's response to broader national health policy debates that particularly impact on women living with HIV.
- We provide a forum for state issues to be raised at a national level.

what are our priorities?

SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Femfatales addresses matters pertaining to the sexual and reproductive health and wellbeing of WLWHIV, including advocating for greater awareness of and access to female condoms.

GENDER EQUITY, DISCRIMINATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Femfatales recognises that stigma and discrimination remain strong challenges in daily life for people with HIV. Women have unique experiences of this. We aim to raise awareness of these issues and advocate for gender equity, human rights and dignity for all.

DISCLOSURE PROTOCOLS

Femfatales has developed a set of protocols to guide WLWHIV regarding aspects of decision making, disclosure and confidentiality when dealing with media, public, organisations, and service providers.

PEER SUPPORT

Peer support has long been recognised as the most effective support for women living with HIV.