



Minister for Health
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Dear Hon. Cameron Dick

The Sexual Health Society of Queensland would like to extend its congratulations and support to the State Government for its recent announcement of Queensland's new Sexual Health Strategy and the establishment of a Sexual Health Ministerial Advisory Committee to support its implementation.

The Society considers the development of a sexual health and reproductive health strategy as a unique opportunity for Queensland to both establish a healthier and safer society for all its people and to assume a national leadership role in sexual health policy and action. We commend the State Government and the Minister for their commitment to the sexual and reproductive wellbeing of Queenslanders

The Sexual Health Society of Queensland is a professional organisation of clinicians and other health workers, educators and interested persons from across the state committed to the goal of promoting optimal sexual health and wellbeing for all. Established in 1988, the Society aims to provide high quality educational opportunities for its members and encourages open and strong debate on issues related to sexual health in Queensland. It has set itself the task:

1. To advise and advocate for the improvement of all aspects of sexual health in Queensland.
2. To advance scientific, medical and psycho-sexual knowledge in the provision of sexual health services, and the promotion of sexual health in Queensland.
3. To disseminate authoritative information concerning sexual health issues for the community of Queensland.
4. To maintain liaison with similar professional societies and community organisations in Australasia and elsewhere.

In accord with these aims, our Society offers its full support, encouragement, assistance and expertise in the pursuit of the state's new Sexual Health Strategy's goals and in the work of the new advisory committee.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss further any plans, issues or strategies for the implementation of the Strategy and advisory committee, and hope that an ongoing relationship will be forged between our organisation and the state government.

Yours Sincerely

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