

OUR AIMS

The ACT Women and Prisons Group has a number of aims:

- To challenge the injustices that women and their families involved in the criminal justice system invariably face;
- To advocate for holistic, gender focused, human rights models to be implemented within the new prison in the ACT;
- To be instrumental in effecting and sustaining positive, constructive changes within the women's prison; and
- To lobby for the rights of all women in the criminal justice system.

THE ACT WOMEN & PRISONS GROUP

Meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 3 pm at:

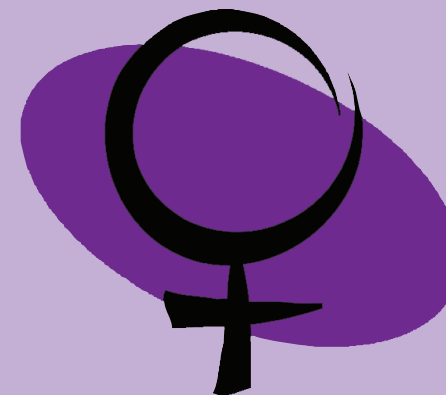
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All women are welcome to participate.

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The ACT Women and Prisons Group advocates for the human rights of all women involved in the criminal justice system.

ABOUT US

The ACT Women and Prisons Group was formed in September 2005.

We are a not-for-profit, community peer support group.

We work alongside women with lived experience of the criminal justice system to advocate for their rights, to provide emotional and practical support and to inform them about relevant women's services.

Defending incarcerated women's right to maintain contact with family.



RIGHTS OF WOMEN IN PRISON

The group advocates for the rehabilitation of women in prison. We believe this can only be achieved by ensuring that:

1. The prison environment is conducive to rehabilitation; and
2. Women have ongoing access to relevant services which address their needs.

We seek to ensure that women prisoners have equal access to all health services currently provided within the local community.

Finally, we seek to ensure that, on release from prison, all women have a Medicare card, identification, a social security card and payment in place. Above all, we advocate to ensure that women have a home to go to on exit.



MEMBERS

Our members include ex-prisoners and prisoners currently detained in the criminal justice system, representatives of various ACT women's services and other interested women. All women interested in the wellbeing of women are welcome to attend.