

Vision

Shoalhaven Women's Health Centre (SWHC) has a vision for a peaceful and equitable society where all women are empowered, respected and enjoy optimum health and wellbeing.

Mission

Shoalhaven Women's Health Centre (SWHC) empowers women to take control of their own health and wellbeing through the provision of accessible, integrated health and intervention services within a caring, feminist environment.

Objectives

The objectives of the Association are:

- ♀ To provide a non profit primary health care service for women, managed by women, within a feminist framework, in the Shoalhaven area.
- ♀ To prioritise access for women who are living in poverty, or who have low or fixed incomes, by providing services at a minimal cost, or for no cost to ensure that women are not refused service, due to inability to pay.
- ♀ To ensure that services reflect the needs of local women providing educational, preventative and self help programs which encompass women's life span, experience and cross a broad range of health issues.
- ♀ To network, liaise and collaborate with other local service providers in order to provide necessary services to women in the community.
- ♀ To facilitate access to the service activities assist women to access other appropriate services (acknowledging and addressing the different needs of women of diverse backgrounds and the barriers they may face.)
- ♀ To uphold the rights of women who may use the service to express themselves freely, to be treated with respect, dignity and consideration.
- ♀ To ensure the creation and maintenance of a safe, healthy and supportive environment for the well being of staff, management and women who use the service.
- ♀ To actively encourage the empowerment of women in both the personal and social aspects of their lives by promoting informed decision making processes.
- ♀ To provide a range of services which reflect the diverse needs of Women's Health.
- ♀ To ensure effective community management and operation of the Women's Health Centre by and for women.
- ♀ To encourage training and staff development of Centre staff in all areas of Women's Health to ensure the highest standard of health care to consumers.