



## Trans Woman Peer Educator, Meanjin (Brisbane)

### Application Package

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##### **Position Details:**

Trans Woman Peer Educator, 10 hours per week, Meanjin (Brisbane)  
Social Community Home Care and Disability Services  
SCHADS Industry Award 2010 Level 4.1 Part time (\$44.58).

The Respect Inc team is available to assist you with your application.  
Email [info@respectqld.org.au](mailto:info@respectqld.org.au) to make a time to talk with someone.

The Trans Women peer educator role will be filled by a trans woman.  
Only current or past sex workers are eligible to apply.

Email applications to [jobs@respectqld.org.au](mailto:jobs@respectqld.org.au)  
If you have any questions please email:  
[sc@respectqld.org.au](mailto:sc@respectqld.org.au) or [carly@respectqld.org.au](mailto:carly@respectqld.org.au)

##### **How to Apply:**

Read the entire package prior to starting your application.  
Prepare:

1. A brief cover letter or email.
2. A response to each of the selection criteria, up to one page for each topic.  
Describe your relevant knowledge and skills.
3. Include a copy of your resume or curriculum vitae (CV) that provides your personal details, qualifications and work history, including sex work.
4. Provide two referees, including one who can confirm sex work experience, their name, email, and/or telephone contact details, to be contacted for a confidential verbal reference.



**About Respect Inc**

Respect Inc is the Queensland sex worker organisation. We are a member organisation of Scarlet Alliance, the national peak sex worker organisation in Australia.

We provide peer education, information, events, workshops and support programs to Queensland sex workers regardless of gender, age, location, industry sector, legal status, cultural background or linguistic abilities, as well as providing a formal medium to communicate sex worker issues and concerns so as to improve the rights and respond to the workplace health and safety needs of our peers.

More specifically, we provide:

- sex worker drop in, in 3 locations across Queensland
- information, education, peer support, events, workshops, advocacy and referrals
- outreach to regional and isolated sex workers
- sales of inexpensive safer sex products (condoms, lubes etc.)
- allied health services network development
- sex worker community development
- general community education
- policy advice to government

**Mission Statement**

We are Queensland sex workers voicing our need for human, industrial and workplace rights for all sex workers. We aim to improve the lives of sex workers by eliminating stigma and discrimination via social, legislative and political change.

**Vision Statement**

We envisage a society where we as sex workers have equal status in society and are free to pursue our occupation safely, on our own terms without fear of criminalisation, stigma or discrimination. Our vision is for sex work to be recognised as work and as such fully decriminalised.



#### Values of the Organisation

Diversity      Equality      Rights    Respect      Pride      Autonomy

#### Purpose of the position

The Trans Women Peer Educator will be responsible for providing peer education, support, referrals to trans women sex workers in QLD. This role will also be responsible for community development with trans women sex workers, and providing workforce development training to external organisations who may work with trans women sex workers, as well as continuing to build a database of friendly organisations for transwomen sex workers in QLD. The role is responsible for recording statistics of all peer education interactions, and reporting on all work monthly in the form of written monthly reports. Local and regional outreach to sex workers and sex work workplaces may also form part of the role, and some travel may be required.

#### Skills and experiences you'll need to bring

- Sex work experience
- Knowledge about the sex worker rights movement in Queensland and Australia
- Strong written and verbal communication skills
- Knowledge of the regulations and laws that apply to sex work in Queensland
- Knowledge and skills in Google Suite

#### Primary Duties and Responsibilities

- Establish and maintain regular and ongoing contact with trans women sex workers to provide peer education, information, support and referrals
- Promote membership and community involvement in Respect Inc.
- Advocate on behalf of trans women sex workers to improve access to justice and services.
- Promote HIV and sexual health awareness and support among trans women and other sex workers.
- Contribute to the organisation and promotion of community development activities.
- Promote other Respect Inc activities/projects to trans women sex workers.
- Contribute to training and workforce development of other organisations and institutions to reduce stigma against trans sex workers.
- Maintain relevant financial accountability processes including stock control, cash handling, bank deposits and communication relating to these activities in a team environment.
- Participate in the Respect Inc team in a constructive way, using communication and group work skills.



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- Participate in regular supervision, use accountability mechanisms as outlined in Respect Inc Policy and Procedures, and work within the aims, philosophy and values of the organisation.
- Work in collaboration with other government and non-government organisations in consultation with the CEO.
- Attend HIV/BBV & STI and other training, workshops, interagency meetings and professional development in order to maintain a current knowledge of health and other issues relevant to sex workers (individual professional development needs and desires will be negotiated).

#### Key Selection Criteria

1. Sex work experience.
2. Strong communication skills including interpersonal, email, Google Suite, apps and smartphone.
3. Knowledge of the laws as they relate to sex work in Queensland.
4. Passion for education and health promotion with trans women sex workers.
5. Ability to be an active member of a diverse team, follow direction and accept feedback.
6. Demonstrated ability to problem solve and resolve conflict.
7. Punctuality, strong organisational and time management skills, and an ability to work to deadlines.
8. An open Queensland driver's licence.

#### Desirable Skills

- Fluent in a language other than English.
- Previous work experience in a range of sectors of sex work in Queensland.



**Acknowledgement of Country**

Respect Inc would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which our offices are located and Elders, past and present. They are the Yirrganydji People and the Yidinji People, the Gunganji People and Tjapukai People of Gimuy (Cairns), the Turrbul People and Yaggera people of Meanjin (Brisbane), the people of the Yugambah Language Group, the Kombumerri People, and the Ngandowal People and Minjungbal People of the Bundjalung Nation.

We stand in solidarity with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and respect their strength and resilience in the face of ongoing colonisation.

“If you have come here to help me, you are wasting your time. But if you have come because your liberation is bound up with mine, then let us work together.”

– Lilla Watson, Gangulu Nation