



the voice of
people
affected
by cancer

for better



support



care



information



treatment



research

Objectives

- To reduce the impact of cancer on the community, in terms of lives affected and lives lost.
- To promote a balanced public awareness of cancer.
- To encourage and provide a facility for those with experience of cancer to contribute at all levels of decision-making about the disease.
- To define issues that are important to cancer consumers and to advocate for measures to address them.
- To work towards access to the highest quality treatment and support services, regardless of their geographical location, social or economic status, ethnicity or stage of disease.
- To influence the direction of research into causes, prevention, optimal treatments and support.
- To provide a forum for people affected by cancer to share experiences and information.



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Every year

more than 48,000

*people are diagnosed with
cancer in New South Wales*

the voice to government,
clinical cancer services,
information & support providers
and research organisations





What is Cancer Voices NSW?

Cancer Voices NSW is the peak cancer advocacy organisation providing the independent voice of people affected by cancer in our state and beyond.

Members include people with cancer, cancer survivors, carers, cancer care professionals and interested organisations. We aim to represent the needs of the over 48,000 people who are diagnosed with cancer in NSW every year.

As a collaborative network, Cancer Voices NSW provides a forum for those affected by cancer to share their concerns, ideas and experiences.

Our representatives present broad, informed views on cancer issues at local, state and national levels.

Cancer Voices was established in 2000 and since then has been influential in improving cancer care, information, support and research in NSW and beyond.

Who are we?

We are all volunteers from a diversity of backgrounds, locations and age groups. Many of us have experienced at least one or more of the wide range of cancers and treatments. We all work to make a positive difference to the cancer experience for others.

Benefits of membership

- Free online newsletters and regular updates about our activities and can stay informed about cancer issues
- Members can contribute to our policy and strategic direction, advocate for improvements, collaborate with and influence decision makers and support us
- Members can apply to undertake training in advocacy and/or research offered in partnership with Cancer Council NSW.

What do we do?

- Listen to your needs and views
- Ensure the informed consumer voice is heard wherever decisions are made
- Facilitate and contribute to cancer related decision making with government and other organisations
- Work in partnership with stakeholders to address consumer needs and priorities
- Seek and promote sources of reliable information
- Write submissions, appear before inquiries, speak at conferences and to the media
- Run and support programs: consumer representation; Consumer Involvement in Research; provide an efficient matching process for cancer stakeholders, including researchers, with trained consumer representatives
- Manage the Consumers Included logo program
- Develop and publish Cancer Voices Position Statements on our website
- Communicate with our members and stakeholders via our newsletter, website and social media
- Work closely with cancer and other consumer health organisations across Australia

Representing the consumer view

Stakeholders seeking consumer nominees for committees or research projects can apply online.



“Nothing about us without us”

JOIN THE ACTION!

Membership Application Form

(Mail this or apply online at the Cancer Voices website)

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

A little about you will help us understand our members better:

- Age Group (*please circle*)

18-29 30-49 50-69 70+

- Cancer diagnosis? **Yes / No**

If **YES**, when, type(s) and stage(s) of cancer

What other related training have you done in the last two years? _____

Are you interested in Advocacy training? **YES / NO**

Are you interested in Research training? **YES / NO**
(working as a consumer with researchers)

Membership is free

(As we are a volunteer organisation, donations are always welcome and are tax deductible.)

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