

Psychedelic Medicine Coalition Women's Council

A council of women leading, supporting, and funding the work to bring psychedelic medicine into American healthcare, with women's health, experiences, and leadership at the center.

FOUNDING COHORT FORMING NOW

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An Origin Story, Made into an Institution

Psychedelic Medicine Coalition (PMC), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, was founded in 2021 by Melissa Lavasani, a working mother whose recovery from severe postpartum depression with psychedelics led her to build a federal advocacy organization in Washington, D.C.

Melissa's personal story and advocacy have been featured in Netflix's *How to Change Your Mind*, the *Today Show*, *Good Housekeeping*, *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Rolling Stone*, and *The Wall Street Journal*.

Headquartered in the nation's capital, PMC advances psychedelic medicine through nonpartisan federal advocacy. PMC's Women's Council gives that founding story an institutional home.

Women with lived experience, researchers, funders, and field leaders working together to advance women's health.

THE PREMISE



THE COUNCIL'S ROLE

The Council brings women's lived experience, expertise, and resources into the work.

Together, members will shape the priorities, partnerships, and investment the field needs next.

Women's Health Priorities Need Focused Attention

Trauma & Violence

PTSD & complex trauma

Sexual violence

Intimate partner violence

Motherhood & Reproductive Health

Postpartum & maternal mental health

Reproductive health: endometriosis, infertility & pregnancy loss

Menopause

Across the Lifespan

Eating disorders

Neurodegenerative disease

Caregiver burnout

Treatment-resistant depression

WHY NOW

More than 1 in 5 women have experienced completed or attempted rape. Women's health priorities require dedicated research, policy attention, and investment.

Three Pillars, One Council

Community Building

Connect women with lived experience, field leaders, researchers, funders, and healthcare professionals to build relationships and foster collaboration.

Research Advancement

Elevate gaps in research related to women and women's health, while connecting researchers with greater visibility, partnerships, and potential funding.

Policy Education and Engagement

Bring women's health priorities into nonpartisan conversations with policymakers, federal agencies, researchers, and healthcare leaders to help shape responsible integration into healthcare.

Together, these pillars can create new collaborations, funding pathways, introductions, and leadership opportunities.

THE COUNCIL EXPERIENCE

Six virtual convenings each year

Policy briefings, research spotlights, peer roundtables, and member-led discussions

Two in-person gatherings each year

The PMC Federal Summit and an annual Women's Council dinner

Two Ways to Join

WOMEN'S COUNCIL ADVISORY CIRCLE

\$10,000 *per year*

- All Founding Member benefits
- A seat on the Advisory Circle with monthly strategy meetings
- A direct role in shaping priorities, partnerships, programming, and the annual agenda
- Early review of emerging research, proposed initiatives, and collaborations
- Closer engagement with PMC leadership and invited experts
- Recognition as a leading supporter of the Women's Council

FOUNDING MEMBER

\$2,500 *per year*

- Six virtual convenings with policy briefings, research spotlights, peer roundtables, and member led discussions
 - Invitations to the PMC Federal Summit and annual Women's Council dinner
 - Connections with women with lived experience, researchers, field leaders, and funders
 - Opportunities to contribute ideas, identify unmet needs, and participate in Council initiatives
 - Permanent recognition as a founding member
- Founding cohort limited to 40 women*

JOIN THE FOUNDING COHORT

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Be part of the next chapter of psychedelic medicine and women's health.

Join a founding community of up to 40 women committed to advancing women's health in psychedelic medicine. Together, members will build the relationships, research priorities, and resources that can move the field forward.

TO TALK ABOUT JOINING

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