

Porn Literacy Campaign Youth Advisory Group:

Draft¹ Terms of Reference

Purpose and objectives

- The Porn Literacy Campaign Youth Advisory Group (PLC YAG) is being established to give young people in Australia an opportunity to inform and influence education resources and content development on a national Porn Literacy Campaign.
- Information and recommendations made by PLC YAG members will be used to guide and inform all aspects of the campaign, including content design and delivery, as well as project evaluation.
- Final decisions regarding project direction remain the responsibility of Teach Us Consent, members will be informed how their feedback has influenced project decisions. Where recommendations are not adopted, Teach Us Consent will, where appropriate, seek further clarification and/or communicate the rationale for those decisions.
- The Terms Of Reference (ToR) will be reviewed by the PLC YAG within the first session, and on an annual basis.

Chair

- The role of Chair will be filled by a representative from Teach Us Consent.
- The Chairperson will be responsible for the conduct of meetings, including ensuring fair and equal opportunities for participation for all members of the PLC YAG.

¹ The draft Terms of Reference will be reviewed at the first YAG meeting.

- PLC YAG members will be given the opportunity to act as Co-Chairs following the first meeting.

Membership

- The YAG will be made up of around 15 members, aged 18 to 24 years, who reside in Australia.
- The YAG will comprise a diverse group of young people and aims to include First Nations young people, young people from different cultural backgrounds, neurodivergent young people, young people with disability, LGBTIQ+ young people, and young people from rural and remote locations.
- Any potential conflicts of interest of members should be declared prior to commencing engagement with the YAG.
- Members who are no longer able to participate in the YAG should advise Teach Us Consent in writing at least two weeks prior to an upcoming meeting.

Meetings

- Members are expected to participate in regular online meetings during the project period. Specific meeting dates will be determined from the first PLC YAG meeting with members and in alignment with project milestones.
- Information shared in PLC YAG meetings should be kept in confidence and not be shared more broadly with others.
- During meetings, members will work in a way that is collaborative, inclusive, and respectful toward other YAG members.

Quorum and decision-making

- A quorum for meetings is **50% of appointed members**.
- As an advisory body, the PLC YAG seeks to develop recommendations through discussion and consensus wherever possible, rather than formal voting. Where

consensus cannot be reached, differing perspectives will be documented and considered by Teach Us Consent as part of the decision-making process.

Supervision and support

- Members will receive gift cards at a rate of \$60 per hour for meeting participation and agreed project-related activities, including pre-reading and providing feedback on materials (within capped amounts).
- All members will undertake vicarious trauma training, group supervision (approximately 6 sessions within a period of 12 months) and have access to individual supervision with a qualified mental health professional, as required.

Secretariat

- The role of Secretariat will be filled by a representative from Teach Us Consent.
- The Secretariat will be responsible for administrative and other supporting duties including scheduling of meetings, production of meeting agendas and other materials, minute-taking and communications with members of the YAG.
- Agenda and any materials for review will be provided by the Secretariat to members of the PLC YAG around 2 weeks before each scheduled meeting.

Timeframes

- Members should be available for the duration of the project, with the PLC YAG expected to run from July 2026 to July 2027.
- Should Teach Us Consent seek to extend the Youth Advisory Group beyond the initial project period, members will be advised of the proposed extension and the updated term of membership.
- Prior to any extension, these Terms of Reference will be reviewed and, where required, updated. The revised Terms of Reference and new project timeframe will be provided to all members for review.
- Members will then be invited to confirm whether they wish to continue their membership under the revised Terms of Reference. Continued participation in the PLC YAG following an extension is entirely voluntary.

Safeguarding, sharing personal information and reporting obligations

- Members will not be asked to share personal lived experiences during Youth Advisory Group meetings, including experiences of sexual harm.
- If a member voluntarily discloses information that indicates they or another person may be at risk of harm, Teach Us Consent has legal and ethical responsibilities to respond. This may include making a report to relevant authorities where required or appropriate.
- Wherever possible, Teach Us Consent will discuss any proposed action with the member before making a report. However, in some circumstances, Teach Us Consent may be required to act with or without the member's consent to meet its safeguarding obligations.
- Appropriate wellbeing support will be offered to the affected member and, where appropriate, to the wider Youth Advisory Group.

Intellectual Property

- All intellectual property developed as part of the Porn Literacy Campaign, including ideas, resources, educational materials and other project outputs, remains the property of Teach Us Consent.
- Teach Us Consent acknowledges and values the contributions of Youth Advisory Group members, whose insights will inform the development of project outputs.