

Extended abstract for International Population Conference 2025

The report for the Churchill Fellowship findings will be published in 2025 and will form the basis for this presentation and the extended abstract.

Investigating Abortion Advocacy Models to Influence Government Policy Change to Increase Access to Abortion in Australia

2023 Churchill Fellow and CEO of Family Planning Alliance Australia, Daile Kelleher, spent August and September 2024 travelling internationally to learn and discuss abortion advocacy models across 7 countries. Interviews and information gathered has led to recommendations for the Australian context to determine what is needed to increase access to abortion in Australia, through advocacy and government policy. These findings and recommendations are useful in an Australian and global setting, considering themes such as legislative reform, restriction and rewinding of laws and rights, public health considerations and the rise of anti rights movements. Travelling to Canada, Mexico, USA, France, Netherlands, Brussels and New Zealand has given a broad view of abortion rights, access and justice in the hope that Australia and others can make movements toward further access to reproductive healthcare. While not a traditional academic research piece, this presentation focuses on the stories and experiences of advocates, policy makers, health practitioners and consumers to give a considered and well rounded approach to advancing person centred healthcare.

Investigations undertaken

COUNTRY	ORGANISATION	COMMENTS
CANADA	Everywoman’s Health Centre	Abortion clinic
	British Columbia Women’s Health Centre	Public hospital
	Abortion Rights Coalition of Canada	Advocacy organisation
	National Abortion Federation	National hotline, fund and accreditation of clinics
	Pro Choice Canada	Advocacy
MEXICO & LATIN AMERICA	Vitala Global	Digital solutions for abortion care
	IPAS Latin America and the Caribbean	Advance access to abortion

	IPPF Americas and Caribbean	Family planning
	Mexfam	Family Planning provider
	GIRE	Legal
	National Women's Institute of Mexico	Government agency
	GINESER	Abortion clinic
	Balance	Advocacy
	Fos Feminista	Advocacy and family planning
<b>USA</b>	Janes Due Process	Abortion Fund
	I Need an A	Resources and information
	Reproductive Health Strategist	Consultant
	We Testify	Lived experience storytelling
	IPAS America	Advance access to abortion
	Amnesty International	Human rights
	Everybody Texas	Contraception advocacy group
	National Women's Law Centre	Legal firm representing reproductive cases
	Georgetown University	Researcher on Latin American reproductive rights
	Amazon health	Digital health provider
	Planned Parenthood Federation of America	Family Planning provider
	DKT International	Pharmaceutical company
	PAI	Advocacy
	Human Rights Lawyer	Reproductive rights specialist
	Gynuity	Medication abortion provider
	American Civil Liberties Union	Civil rights organisation
	Guttmacher	Research centre focused on SRHR
	Diasora	Birth work in reproductive health legal landscape
	Catholics for Choice	Faith organisation
	Let's Talk About Sex! Conference	Reproductive justice conference
	Global Health Council	Networking advocates
	United Nations Population Fund	UN SRH agency

<b>FRANCE</b>	Le Planning familia	Family planning provider
	Fondation Des Femme	Feminist organisations giving grants to other orgs
	CEMAG Care	Pharmaceutical company
	Port Royal Family Planning clinic	Public hospital abortion clinic
	Ined - National institute for demographic studies	French research institute specializing in demography and population studies in general
	Louis Mourier Hopital	Public hospital abortion centre
<b>THE NETHERLANDS</b>	Mama Cash	Grants for women's groups
	Wo=Men	Gender platform in EU
	Rise up!	Advocacy
	Rutgers	SRHR org in Netherlands
<b>BRUSSELS</b>	FIAPAC Conference	International Abortion and Contraception providers
	European Parliamentary Forum for Sexual and Reproductive Rights	Parliament forum
	Luna	Abortion clinic

#### Questions included

1. Firstly, can you give me some background on abortion legislation and access in XXXXX?
2. What change led to increased or decreased access in XXXX?
3. How secure do you believe abortion policy, legislation and access is?
4. What could be done to embed access to abortion in health care?
5. What is the role of advocates, providers, legislators, the media, researchers etc?
6. What is the biggest innovation in access to abortion or reproductive healthcare you have seen recently?
7. Is XXX country doing something that others can learn from?
8. What is the one message you want abortion seekers to know about abortion in X country?
9. If you could change one thing about abortion access in your country, what would it be and how would you do it?