

How can I get involved?

Before committing your time and skills, think about what your interests are and how much time you can realistically give each week. Peer Participants find it most rewarding when they choose a role that closely matches their interests.

Roles include:

- ✓ Working in the NSP as a Peer Educator
- ✓ Working in the office as an Administration Support Worker
- ✓ Participating in our advisory structures as a Peer
- ✓ Helping with the production of *User's News*

Contact us to find out more!

Call us on (02) 8354 7300

Email us lucyp@nuaa.org.au

Or get on our website

www.nuaa.org.au to check out the Peer Participation section as well as lots of other great info about NUAAA and safer using!

I am interested in joining NUAAA's Peer Participation Program!

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

Please tick one of the following:

- I would like to attend a Peer Participation orientation session.
- Please contact me to tell me about the Peer Participation Program

Post or fax this form to us or drop it in at the NUAAA NSP, or just email us or give us a call.

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Put your hand up and participate!

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PEER PARTICIPATION PROGRAM

NUAA
NSW USERS
AND AIDS ASSOCIATION

What is NUAA?

NUAA, the NSW Users And AIDS Association, is the NSW peer-based drug user organisation.

Most of the people on our Board of Governance and employed to work at NUAA are people with a history of drug use.

For 21 years we have been at the forefront of harm reduction in NSW. We believe that drug users should be involved in planning and delivering the services and programs aimed at us.

Making sure that people who use and inject drugs have the opportunity to be involved in all aspects of NUAA is really important to us.

Our Peer Participation Program makes it easy and rewarding to get involved at NUAA.

What is the Peer Participation Program?

The Peer Participation Program is an opportunity for people who support NUAA to become active in the organisation through volunteer work.

The program is open to all supporters of NUAA who consider themselves a peer.

The program is designed to involve our peers in the work that NUAA does; to use and build their skills and experience through different roles; and for NUAA to learn from their life experience.

Who can participate?

Nearly anyone! If you consider yourself a peer of NUAA, and are willing to be part of a team, then the Peer Participation Program is for you. It is important that our peer participants have an intimate knowledge of the various issues that affect people who use and inject drugs.

These issues include:

- ✓ Blood borne viruses including hepatitis B & C and HIV
- ✓ Legal issues
- ✓ Vein care
- ✓ Safer Using
- ✓ Overdose
- ✓ Pharmacotherapy

Why become a Peer Participant?

The reasons people choose to do volunteer work are as varied as the people themselves.

It can be good for you to:

- ✓ Gain work experience
- ✓ Meet new people
- ✓ Learn new skills and build on the skills you already have

It can be good for NUAA and NUAA's community:

- ✓ You can share your first-hand knowledge with the community
- ✓ You can add to NUAA's knowledge base
- ✓ You can contribute to the valuable work that NUAA carries out.

By participating you can make a difference in the lives of people who use drugs in NSW. NUAA will support each individual with opportunities to access training, support and to meet their potential.

