

RhED PROGRAM INTRODUCTIONS



Rachel Shankland, Pathways to Exit (PTE)

Hey everyone, (Rachel)
I first heard about RhED when I was studying at university and have closely followed the amazing work and achievements of the program since then. I am now lucky enough to be a part of the team as a Pathways to Exit program case manager. A key aim of Pathways is to provide information, support and referral for the individual workers who are seeking to transition out of the industry. I look forward to the challenges, rewards and excitement that this role will bring and to working with anyone who would like to access the Pathways program.



Cat, RhED Health Educator

Hi everybody, I'm Cat, and I've recently become a Health Education and Support Worker at RhED. Prior to this, I was the Young Women's Support Worker at RhED, and had been in this position since April 2010. So, I am not new to RhED, but I AM very new to the Health Education and Support Worker role, and to the legal industry! I am really keen to meet you, and discuss issues relating to the sex industry, and I look forward to meeting some of you when I'm out and about on outreach!



Kris Lake Pathways to Exit (PTE)

My name is Kris Lake and I am one of the case managers with the Pathways to Exit Program at RhED. I have been with the program since June 2011. Prior to commencing in this role, I spent a number of years working in sexual health and family planning both in Queensland and overseas. Working with Pathways has been a fantastic experience to date, and I look forward to continuing with the program in the future.



Stephanie Kiesel, Supported Accommodation Assistance Program (SAAP)

Hi Everyone! I am the Young Women's Support Worker for RhED and I am very excited to join the team at Inkerman Street and to start my new role. It is a real privilege to appear in the Red magazine as a lot of hard work is put in to develop such a wonderful resource from all team members, both staff and consumers alike. So, what is the role of Young Women's Support Worker?
I support young women aged between 15-25 years old who are homeless or may be at risk of becoming homeless to access safe and secure housing. I also provide support with accessing drug and sexual health services, counselling, legal and financial services and social, educational and recreational support within the community. If this sounds like the support that you would like, or if you have other support needs that were not mentioned I would be more than happy to have a chat!
If you see me around, either at the Inkerman St. office or on outreach please say 'hi' and I look forward to getting to know you all. Lastly, a big THANK YOU to everyone for making me feel very welcome, it is a pleasure to be a part of such a passionate and committed team!!



Gabby Skelsey, RhED Health Educator

Many of you will know me as I have been here for a very long time. I don't get out much anymore – sounds like a song. I work two days a week maintaining the new portfolio of Communications. So now I am the contact for the magazine, the RhED website, RhED Facebook and learning about the many new forms of social media. Invigorating learning new skills! I still try and do a little outreach just to keep in touch and am always happy to run the workshops – STIs, Times they are a Changin', Love or Money and Managing Conflict! I always enjoy meeting the professionals that have been around for a long time and of course, newcomers to the industry!



Shirley, RhED Peer Educator

I have been involved with RhED as a volunteer for a number of years. I have had the privilege of representing sex workers as a spokesperson to various organisations, as an activist and doing advocacy work. I also work as a peer worker Friday nights at H2H, a program that runs out of 10 Inkerman Street, St Kilda. We have developed a safe space for all sex workers to come to. I feel honoured and humbled in my position. I know the most amazing women and men who are sex workers. I love my job...it is more than a job for me.



Sarah Rogan, RhED Health Educator

Hello everyone. I'm Sarah Rogan, the newest member of the RhED Health Education and Support team – focussing specifically on the male and trans* portfolio. I'm really looking forward to reigniting this area of RhED's program, producing new resources (with your contribution!) and meeting you in all your areas of work. Prior to RhED I was a union organiser for seven years, so I am passionate about the rights of all workers, including occupational health and safety issues. Advocating for workers and liaising with bosses/managers are particular skills that I'll transfer from the arts and entertainment industry to the sex industry. I'm also a long-time activist in the GLBTIQ community – so RhED is the best place for me to work! Please get in touch if there's anything you'd like to share with me about your experiences as a male sex worker, or a trans*, sex and/or gender diverse sex worker – I'd love to hear from you.



Jenni Yates-Lock, RhED Hustling to Health (H2H)

Hi – I'm involved with RhED in the Hustling to Health (H2H) program at Inkerman Street, St Kilda. In addition to this role I also work as an outreach worker with a focus on harm minimisation. I have been at Inkerman St for the past 10 years. I am passionate about my work and the challenges it brings. I'd love to catch up with you on outreach or at the Hustling to Health Program.



Kerryn, RhED Volunteer Peer Educator

Hi there, my name is Kerryn and I am a current sex worker and have been a peer support volunteer for the Hustling to Health Program for 2 years. I am a member of Vixen and the Scarlet Alliance and participate regularly in advocacy for sex workers with Victoria Police's new recruit training and Vixen and Scarlet activities. I would love to meet you on Friday evenings at Hustling to Health.



Sally and Emily – Arrest Referral Program

We (Sally & Emily) are the Arrest Referral Workers within the RhED Program. We work with people in the City of Port Philip with non-violent drug related criminal matters. We can assist you to find a lawyer, help you get in touch with the police to sort out outstanding warrants and we can also accompany you to the police station to make a statement if you have been the victim of a crime. We are no strangers to the court system and spend a lot of time there; we are available to go with you if you need support. We have both been working in St Kilda on and off for about 10 years and have great relationships with street based sex workers, the police, lawyers, the courts & other local community agencies. We job share, so give us a call at RhED and we'll assist you with anything legal. If we don't know we'll try and find out!



Joanna, RhED Peer Educator

I've been a peer worker for six or so years, in our fabulous Hustling to Health (H2H) drop in and outreach program on Friday nights at 10 Inkerman St. As a former sex worker (stripper, escort, pro-dom, fetish and fantasy specialist) I feel a special bond with sex workers, so I approached RhED way back then looking for voluntary work. Now I'm an employee, and a familiar face at H2H, where I love to see you all. I'm a member of Scarlet Alliance, the Australian Sex Workers Association, and am a psychologist in private practice these days. All sex workers are welcome at H2H, but we especially welcome street sex workers to our safe space.



Mardi Kennedy, RhED Health Educator

Hello! As a Health Education & Support Worker with the RhED team my role is to provide health, education, support and advocacy services for the sex industry. We do this by going into brothels on outreach, telephone, emails or drop in. As the coordinator of the Culturally And Linguistically Diverse (CALD) portfolio I will be working closely with migrant and CALD sex workers to share understanding and knowledge of safer sex practices, providing translated materials, referrals and supporting your needs.

If you identify as a migrant or CALD sex worker I would love to meet with you to introduce myself - please call me on 1800 458 752. When you see me on outreach give me a wave or introduce yourself – I look forward to meeting you!

Mardi Kennedy, 健康和教育援助 (RhED) 健康辅导员
你好! 作为一名RhED团队里的健康教育和支持工作人员, 我的工作是为性产业提供健康、教育、支持和代言服务, 我们通过现场办公、电话、电子邮件或拜访等形式来做这方面工作。
作为多元文化语言 (CALD) 组的协调员, 我将紧密与移民和CALD性工作者合作, 分享对性工作安全的理解和知识、提供翻译资料、介绍服务并支持你的需要。
如果你认为你属于移民和CALD性工作者, 我会很高兴与你见面并介绍我自己- 请拨打我的电话1800 458 752。如果你看见我在现场办公, 向我挥挥手或介绍你自己- 我期待着与你见面!

마디 케네디, RhED 보건 교육자
안녕하세요! RhED 팀의 보건교육 및 지원 요원으로서 저의 역할은 성 산업을 위한 보건, 교육, 지원 및 자문 서비스를 제공하는 것입니다. 이 역할은 성매매 업소 복지활동, 전화, 이메일 혹은 방문을 통해 이루어집니다.
문화 언어적 다양성 (CALD) 포트폴리오 담당관으로서 저는 이민자 및 CALD 성노동자들과 긴밀한 협력 하에 좀더 안전한 성 영업에 대한 이해와 지식을 공유하고 번역 자료, 의뢰 서비스 및 필요한 지원을 제공할 것입니다. 귀하가 이민자 혹은 CALD 성 노동자일 경우, 저를 소개하기 위해 귀하를 만나고 싶습니다. 1800 458 752로 저에게 전화하십시오. 복지활동 시에 저를 보시게 되면 손을 흔들어 보이거나 소개를 해 주세요. 만날 수 있길 고대합니다!

คุณ Mardi Kennedy นักศึกษาศาสตร์ด้านสุขภาพ RhED
สวัสดีค่ะ
ในฐานะที่เป็นผู้ให้ความรู้ด้านสุขศึกษาและผู้ให้การสนับสนุนทีมงานแหล่งข้อมูลด้านสุขภาพและการศึกษา (RhED) บทบาทของดิฉันคือ ให้บริการด้านสุขภาพ ให้ความรู้ ให้การช่วยเหลือ และการรณรงค์สำหรับอุตสาหกรรมบริการทางเพศ เราดำเนินการด้วยวิธี เข้าไปเยือนสถานให้บริการทางเพศต่างๆ โทรศัพท์ ส่งอีเมล หรือแวะเข้าไปพบ
ในฐานะที่เป็นผู้ประสานงานของกลุ่มผู้มีความหลากหลายทางวัฒนธรรมและภาษา (CALD portfolio)
ดิฉันจะทำงานอย่างใกล้ชิดกับผู้ขายถิ่นฐานและผู้ให้บริการทางเพศที่เป็นผู้มีความหลากหลายทางวัฒนธรรมและภาษา เพื่อแบ่งปันความรู้และความเข้าใจในเรื่องการมีเพศสัมพันธ์อย่างปลอดภัย ให้สื่อข้อมูลที่แปลเป็นภาษาต่างๆ ให้ข้อเสนอแนะและให้การสนับสนุนตามความต้องการของคุณ หากคุณเป็นผู้ขายถิ่นฐานหรือผู้ให้บริการทางเพศที่เป็นผู้มีความหลากหลายทางวัฒนธรรมและภาษา ดิฉันอยากจะขอเข้าพบกับคุณเพื่อนำตัวให้รู้จัก กรุณาโทรติดต่อดิฉันได้ที่หมายเลข 1800 458 752 เมื่อคุณได้พบกับดิฉันตอนที่ดิฉันไปเยือนสถานที่ ช่วยบอกมีที่พักหรือแนะนำตัวให้ดิฉันรู้จักก็ได้นะคะ ดิฉันจะตั้งตาคอยพบคุณเช่นเดียวกัน



Robyn Szechtman, CALD (Culturally and Linguistically Diverse) Project Worker

Although I've only been here for a very short time (very sweet so far), I've had a long association with RhED in my previous job as a community educator. My job at RhED is to research the needs of multicultural sex workers and look at ways to improve the services we provide. I'm really keen to chat to sex workers who identify coming from a CALD background and will be doing lots of outreach with Mardi over the next few months. Hope to meet you soon!

Robyn Szechtman, 多元文化语言 (CALD) 项目工作人员
尽管我来的时间很短 (迄今为止非常愉快), 但我以前的社区辅导员工作就一直和RhED有联系。我现在在RhED的工作是研究多元文化性工作者的需要, 并寻找有哪些办法可以改善我们所提供的服务。我非常希望和那些有CALD背景的女性聊一聊, 在接下来几个月里我会和Mardi一起做很多现场办公的工作。希望能很快见到你!

로빈 체치먼, CALD (문화적 언어적 다양성) 프로젝트 요원
이곳에 아주 짧은 기간 있었지만 (지금까지 아주 좋았음), 이전 직업에서 지역사회 교육자로서 RhED와 오랫동안 종사해 왔습니다. RhED에서의 저의 일은 다문화 성 노동자들의 필요 사항을 연구하고 저희가 제공하는 서비스를 향상시킬 방법을 찾는 것입니다. 저는 CALD 배경 출신의 여성들과 이야기 하길 매우 원하며 차후 몇 달에 걸쳐 마디 (Mardi)와 함께 많은 복지활동을 하게 될 것입니다. 곧 뵙기를 바랍니다!

คุณ Robyn Szechtman ผู้ทำโครงการ CALD
(ผู้มีความหลากหลายทางวัฒนธรรมและภาษา)
ถึงแม้ว่า ดิฉันจะอยู่ที่นี้ในช่วงเวลาสั้นๆ (ที่ผ่านมารู้สึกดีมาก) ดิฉันเองก็มีความเกี่ยวข้องกับ RhED เป็นระยะเวลาาน โดยที่งานเก่าของดิฉันเป็นนักศึกษาศาสตร์ด้านชุมชน งานของดิฉันที่ RhED เป็นกรวิจัยความจำเป็นของผู้ให้บริการทางเพศที่มาจากหลากหลายวัฒนธรรม และหาวิถีทางต่างๆ เพื่อพัฒนาบริการที่เรามีให้พวกเขา ดิฉันมีความสนใจที่จะพูดคุยกับท่านสุภาพสตรีที่เป็นผู้ที่มีพื้นฐานมาจากผู้มีความหลากหลายทางวัฒนธรรมและภาษา และจะไปเยือนสถานที่ต่างๆ กับคุณ Mardi อยู่บ่อยๆ ในอีกหลายเดือนข้างหน้า หวังว่าคงจะได้พบกับคุณในไม่ช้านะคะ

