

Transgender Victoria and the Department of Premier and Cabinet are pleased to announce two new appointees to the Trans and Gender Diverse Peer Support Program team.

The Peer Support Program will provide targeted program activity to support increased health and wellbeing outcomes for trans and gender diverse (TGD) Victorians. It uses a collective impact model with the TGD community to ensure comprehensive TGD community ownership and governance of the program.

Oliver Ross has been appointed as Project Relationship Coordinator and he will coordinate key activities and communications and implement the administration of the peer support program.

Son Vivienne has been appointed to the role of Practice Coordinator and they will research and advise upon different models for the peer support program.

A major part of both roles is to work with each other, as directed by the Expert Project Steering Committee (EPSC), to inform the implementation of a collective impact model.

Through the yet-to-be-formed Community Reference Group (CRG) and other consultations, Victoria's trans and gender diverse community will provide expertise and experience in the designing and facilitating of models of peer support.

An announcement on the process for applying to be a member of the CRG should be expected within 3 weeks.

The CRG and the two coordinators will build on the great work developed at the Trans Gathering in March to guide design and delivery of TGD peer support models across Victoria.

We are excited to have two such talented people to take over the great work undertaken previously by Jack Metcalfe.

They start today and will provide regular updates to the community as the project develops over the next year.

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