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Australian Women's Health Alliance 2025 Federal Budget Response

The Australian Women's Health Alliance welcomes the \$793 million women's health package with more choices and lower cost. As the national voice on women's health, we provide independent, evidence-based advice to the government, policy makers and health professionals to promote a gender-responsive approach to women's health care.

Disappointingly, the Alliance's request for sustained government funding to enable us to support women's voices regarding gaps within the health system, and to ensure we can continue to provide the evidence base that is essential for policy change and improved health awareness, was ignored.

Key takeaways from the Budget we welcome are:

- \$134.3 million for better access to long-acting reversible contraceptives
- menopause support new Medicare rebates, PBS listings, workforce training and treatment guidelines
- 11 additional endometriosis and pelvic pain clinics, now also supporting menopause and perimenopause
- 50 additional Medicare Urgent Care Clinics in every state and territory.

The Australian Women's Health Alliance will continue to move forward in delivering gender equity in health for all women:

- by highlighting how gender shapes experiences of health and health care, recognising that women's health is determined by social, cultural, environmental, and political factors
- by drawing attention to the issues, often far reaching, that impact women's health
- as a national health peak body, by working closely with our members, partners and government to effect change.

The Alliance is a national leader in developing, advancing and responding to public policy and practices as it impacts women's health.

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About us

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The Australian Women's Health Alliance acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the lands and waters on which we live and work. We pay our respect to Elders past and present. Sovereignty has never been ceded.