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National Women's Safety Alliance welcomes new ministers

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The National Women's Safety Alliance welcomed the new ministers who will be working to end gender-based violence across a number of different portfolios, including the new Minister for Women Senator Katy Gallagher.

The NWSA – which is the largest collective to provide direct advice to government on national policy on gender-based violence – also welcomed the new Minister for Social Services Amanda Rishworth and the Assistant Minister for the Prevention of Family Violence Justine Elliot.

“The federal election showed us the power of Australian women who spoke up and voted for a different future free from gender-based violence,” NWSA CEO Dr Renee Hamilton said.

“We congratulate and welcome the new ministers and look forward to working with them to turn this historic and important national conversation on ending violence into real action.”

Developed with its membership, the NWSA released its election statement [In One Generation](#) which includes key priorities and practical actions for the incoming government.

“These actions – taken together – will bring us closer to preventing gender-based violence, intervening early before violence escalates and providing better support to those affected,” Dr Hamilton said.

“They include urgently addressing housing for those fleeing violence, funding for frontline services, consent education and legal support for victim-survivors – as well as a national training target for people in the community to identify violence and respond compassionately.”

The NWSA also listed the finalisation of the next National Plan to End Violence Against Women and Children, and associated action plans, as a top priority for the new government.

“This is our country's blueprint to address gender-based violence – and it runs out in just a matter of weeks. The National Plan must be evidence-based and include meaningful and measurable targets if it's to guide progress over the next 10 years.”

The [National Women's Safety Alliance](#) brings together a diversity of voices, expertise and experience to advise government on national policy to end gender-based violence. Established in August 2021, we have a growing membership of over 130 organisations,



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subject matter experts and individuals, all with a shared commitment to ending gender-based violence.

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