# NCWO NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN OF OUIFENSLAND "Endometriosis is a

### CALL TO ACTION

**AIM:** Raise awareness of endometriosis and advocate for the State and Federal Governments to form a partnership to support and fund ongoing education for all girls in Queensland.

HOW: Write to your State Member using the template provided. Locate your state member using this link. https://www.parliament.gld.gov.au/ members/current/list

WHEN: Now! What better way to celebrate International Women's Day!

WHO: Individual Members of NCWQ. Affiliate Organisations & their members and anyone who is impacted by this insidious disease

At the 2020 AGM the NCWQ President Chiou See Anderson announced the above aim. To achieve this we need YOUR help.

## NATIONAL OUFENSLAND

common disease in which the tissue that is similar to the lining of the womb grows outside it in other parts of the body. More than 830,000 (more than 11%) of Australian\* women suffer from endometriosis at some point in their life with the disease often starting in teenagers. Symptoms are variable and this may contribute to the 7 to 12-year delay in diagnosis. Common symptoms include pelvic pain that puts life on hold around or during a woman's period."

(http://www.endometriosisaustralia .org)

#### QENDO is a

Queensland based not-for-profit organisation committed to making a difference in the lives of those living with endometriosis and other associated conditions. They conducted a successful trial offering a program unique to Queensland in 2019. President Jessica Taylor reports they are now aiming to educate girls across the state.

https://www.gendo.org.au/

#### The Pelvic Pain Foundation Australia

also a not-for-profit organisation have been working successfully in South Australia and more recently Western Australia to bring education to girls in secondary schools. They have the support and both the Federal and respective State Governments to make this happen.

#### See more at

https://www.pelvicpain.org.au/ppeptalk-schools-program/?v=ef103663 17f4

NCWQ has been advocating for women since 1905. Help us to make a difference again. Your many voices can challenge and create change.

#### DO IT NOW! Let's make a difference together

If affected please tell your story or that of someone you know. Use the template over the page and make it your own.

Tell your story, request a meeting, email or send the letter now!

CREATE A WAVE