

FEBRUARY 1987 : TRAINING

The following is a list of work currently ongoing at the Health Collective.

FUNDING

The funding collective meets according to need - which means almost weekly.

Activities :- checking into and applying for grants
- doing funding campaigns
- exploring ways to make money

A professional fund raiser has been retained to put on a concert at the Arts Club in April. Really need workers.
We are considering buying a house as we have to move soon.
Contacts : Barbara and Maggie (paid workers)

DALKON SHIELD ACTION CANADA

A newly formed national group that invites participation from all people who were harmed by the Dalkon Shield.
Aims - to inform all Canadians of court action taking place against manufacturer, A.H. Robbins.

- to emotionally support women who were harmed
- to produce a quarterly news letter (or when needed)
- to collectively seek legal advise

Next meeting in April. contacts : Maggie & Antoinette

HEALTHMATTERS

- is a quarterly paper produced by the Health Collective (see attached)
Meets weekly close to production.
Next meeting :
Contact : Colleen

CERVICAL CAP FITTERS

A relatively autonomous group, the Cap Fitters Collective is one of the few places in B.C. where a women can have a Cap fitted. Women can apprentice with experienced fitters for 6 months. Time commitment required - 1 year. Presently the collective is training all it can handle.
The same group may start training DIAPHRAGM FITTERS soon.

DEPO PROVERA GROUP

A founding member of the Canadian Coalition on Depo Provera, the Health Collective has pressured Health and Welfare to suspend approval of this long acting, controversial contraceptive. The group has recently presented a submission to the Vancouver hearing and is waiting for a response from H & W.

MAIL ORDERS

We receive mail order requests for our and other publications. The requests have to be processed, and the mailed.

Contact : Jennifer

COUNSELLING

We have restricted counselling to abortion counselling due to lack of time. This can change as more women join the collective. If women come into the office and need to talk we always accommodate them.

OVULATION METHOD CLASSES

A natural method of birth control or method to plan pregnancy. The ovulation method allows a woman to monitor her fertility on a daily basis

Contact : Barbara

WORKSHOPS

We have restricted the workshops we do to the following - P.M.S.

Menopause

Birth control

Health Collective, general.

Anne

Patricia, Carol, June

Maggie, Cheryl, Natasha.

The reason that we have restricted ourselves to doing these workshops is so that we can train women thoroughly in presenting them.

D.E.S. ACTION

Aims : Counselling, support and information to women who are D.E.S. exposed.

Publishing about the issue of D.E.S.

Want to start D.E.S. Support group.

Contacts : Barbara and Molly

RESOURCE CENTRE

All women are encouraged to work the 3 hour shifts that keep the Collective open. During shifts we answer the public's questions, take workshop bookings etc. Also there is always file and library maintenance to do.

Contact : Antoinette or other paid workers.