

SMARTER THAN SMOKING WA YOUTH MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS WANTED!

Smarter than Smoking is looking for young people to join the:
Smarter than Smoking Youth Management Committee
Preferably Year 8 or 9, considered to be opinion leaders amongst their peers
with visionary ideas.

Must have good interpersonal skills, enthusiasm and the commitment to
'get the job done'.

The Smarter than Smoking Project is in search for tomorrow's young leaders and young people at high risk of experimenting with smoking, to be part of this exciting and dynamic statewide project.

The Smarter than smoking Project aims to discourage smoking amongst 10 to 15 years olds in Western Australia. Funded by Healthway and based at the National Heart Foundation (WA Division), it is initiative of a coalition of leading health agencies in WA working in the area of tobacco control.

Thousands of young West Australians have been consulted during all stages of the project's planning, development and implementation. In 2000, the project formalised this involvement by forming a Youth Management Committee. Fifteen proactive young people (fitting the description above) were recruited to have their say about smoking related issues and contribute to the Project. Some of our members have now left the committee as they have completed Year 12, therefore the project is seeking new members to join.

As well as discussing issues relating to tobacco and the project, Committee members will be trained in areas such as leadership, public speaking and dealing with the media. These young people will also have the opportunity to participate in many fun and exciting activities. For example, members have assisted by choosing project merchandise, acting as media spokespersons, participating in photo shoots and being extras in the latest television advertisement.

Please find attached a nomination form. Once nominees have been reviewed, we will contact successful applicants and shall seek parental permission in the New Year.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any queries, or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact either myself, or the Project Coordinator Vanessa Beal, on 9388 3343.

Yours sincerely

Sabrina Stepan
Project Officer



YOUTH MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM

First Name: _____
Surname: _____
Address: _____
Suburb: _____ Postcode: _____
Mobile: _____ Home Telephone No: _____
Email: _____
School: _____
School year (Year 8 or Year 9): _____
Name of Referring Teacher/Guardian/Other: _____

The Smarter than Smoking team is interested in your response to the following:

1. In 100 words or less tell us about you. (Eg. what do you like/dislike, what do you do in your spare time, what makes you tick)

2. Why do you think the Smarter than Smoking Project should involve young people in managing the Project and why do you want to be a part of it?

Please return this form to:
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