

West Moreton Hospital and Health Service

Termination of Pregnancy Referral Information

Please feel free to use this document as a checklist to keep track of our progress. If you face any issues in these steps, please call Children by Choice at 1800 177 725 or email us at advocacy@childrenbychoice.org.au

Link for GP verification of referral process: <https://www.goldcoast.health.qld.gov.au/our-services/termination-pregnancy>

<u>Steps</u>	<u>Is this done?</u>
Check that you have a current concession card	
Call Marie Stopes International (MSI) on 1300 003 707 and mention that you need a termination of pregnancy	
Let them know your West Moreton suburb and postcode	
<p>It is very important that you mention that you-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Have a concession card (if applicable) - Are unable to afford the cost of a private appointment - Need funding assistance to access an abortion <p>(Funding is not immediately guaranteed and you may still be quoted a cost here)</p>	
Your request will be transferred to the funding Team at MSI – immediately or at a later date.	
<p>Call with MSI’s Funding team to assess eligibility for funding. This conversation will include topics around</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Your income and expenses - The surplus amount you may have left over in a period - Experiences of DV or other violence which impacts your financial capacity - Other factors which impact your financial capacity 	

<p>Choice of Long-Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC)</p> <p>LARC insertion is available free of cost at the time of termination of pregnancy if you choose to have it, but it is not necessary. <u>You will need to bring your own device to the appointment.</u> To explore your options, visit this link: https://www.childrenbychoice.org.au/information-support/contraception/contraception-options/</p>	
<p>MSI will call you to let you know the outcome of your funding eligibility assessment</p> <p>(If it has been 5 days since your funding call, or you have not had a funding assessment after 5 days of calling MSI- please reach out to Children by Choice.)</p>	
<p>Appointment is booked</p>	