

NCWNZ report

I have attended NCWNZ meetings online, such as the annual general meeting in September, as your representative. I'm also a member of the NCW's International Hub.

Of the issues NCW has been working on this past year, two stand out:

- Support for legislation against stalking
- Building an online safety coalition

Both have been successful – the Crimes Legislation (Stalking & Harassment) Amendment Bill was introduced to parliament in December 2024. NCW members have been working with other civil society groups, NGOs and regulators to establish the coalition but online media is still not regulated in Aotearoa New Zealand. For NCW online gender-based violence has been a priority.

Events round the motu for International Women's Day and Suffrage Day were also organised and/or supported by NCW groups.

Members of the International Hub were the leads on the preparation of the alternate report to the UN CEDAW Monitoring Committee on New Zealand's progress in implementing the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women published in September 2024.

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