

# Thai Transgender Alliance (Thai TGA)

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## Background:

The development workshop of the transgender network in Thailand was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2010, at Baan Boonbalee Resort, Bangkok with funding from the Sexual Health Promotion Plan of the Women's Health Advocacy Foundation. The participants were activists and academics from various civil societies working for human rights and sexual health of marginalized groups in Thailand. From this workshop, it was agreed by all participants that "Thai Transgender Alliance- Thai TGA" should be established. This is the first time that a network for transgender has been established in Thailand.

"Thai Transgender Alliance" is a network of people who were born and were identified as male due to their sexual organ, but perceived themselves as other gender, as well as persons, groups and organizations working for human rights and sexual health of transgender in Thailand.

## Goal:

- To support the transgendered people in Thailand to have a better quality of life in every aspect

## Objectives:

- To gather all transgender-related information and to produce knowledge packages for transgender in Thailand.
- To strengthen capacity and skills of the members of the groups and organizations working with/for transgender in Thailand.
- To raise awareness and understanding concerning the identities and rights of transgender and also to establish coordination and constructive engagements of civil societies in order to improve Thai society.

## Strategic direction:

Within two years, all information concerning ways of life and identities, sexual health and situations regarding human rights of transgender will be gathered and collated so as to produce a set of knowledge for transgender in Thailand.

## Key activities:

- To organize four regional meetings to promote the strengthening of the capacity and skills of the local community- based transgender groups/organizations..
- To design IEC materials for awareness and advocacy campaigns.
- To promote network activities constantly and to work with other network in civil societies, so as to build and sustain the society without sexual prejudice and stigma.

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