

Privacy Policy

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Melissa Jane Tahu trading as MENOPAUSE UNDERSTOOD (ABN 41 823 903 951) (**we, us, our**) recognises the importance of protecting the privacy and the rights of individuals in relation to their personal information.
- 1.2 This Privacy Policy sets out our commitment to protecting the privacy of your personal information and how it is collected, whether through our website (**Site**), through third-party websites or platforms, directly from you or otherwise.
- 1.3 We respect your rights to privacy under the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (**Privacy Act**) and the Australian Privacy Principles, and we manage the collection and disclosure of your personal information in accordance with these requirements.
- 1.4 We also uphold your rights to privacy if you are based in the European Union, in accordance with the *General Data Protection Regulation* (EU) (**GDPR**). Your rights under the GDPR are listed in clause 13.
- 1.5 By continuing to access or our Site or the products and/or services offered on it (**Products and/or Services**), including through our engaged third-party course delivery platform Payhip (**Payhip**), you acknowledge that you have read and understood this Privacy Policy and consent to the collection, use, disclosure and handling of your personal information as described in it.
- 1.6 Where we request your consent through an affirmative action, including by selecting or clicking an "I Accept the Privacy Policy" button, checkbox, or similar mechanism, you acknowledge and agree that such action constitutes your express consent to this Privacy Policy and your agreement to be bound by its terms.
- 1.7 If you do not wish to provide personal information to us, then you do not have to do so. However, refusing or failing to provide the required personal information may affect your use of this Site or our Products and/or Services.

2. What is your personal information?

- 2.1 When used in this Privacy Policy, the term "personal information" has the meaning given to it under the Privacy Act and GDPR.
- 2.2 In general terms, it is any information that can be used to personally identify you. This may include your name, address, telephone number, email address and profession or occupation.
- 2.3 If the information we collect personally identifies you, or you are reasonably identifiable from it, the information will be considered personal information.
- 2.4 We may also collect some information that is not personal information because it does not identify you or anyone else. For example, we may collect anonymous answers to surveys or aggregated information about how users operate on our Site.
- 2.5 Your personal information will not be shared, sold, rented or disclosed other than as described in this Privacy Policy or as required or permitted by applicable law.

3. Third-Party Service Providers

- 3.1 We use third party providers to help us operate our Site and provide our Products and/or Services to you. These third party providers include, but are not limited to, Payhip, Brevo, Stripe, Vercel, and Google Workspace who each collect, store and use your personal information (**Third Party Providers**).
- 3.2 By purchasing a Product and/or Service, you acknowledge and agree that you are subject to each Third-Party Provider's own terms, conditions, and privacy practices. You are responsible for reviewing and understanding the Third-Party Providers' terms of service and privacy policies, including any rights, obligations, and protections that may apply to you in connection with using our Products and/or Services.
- 3.3 To the fullest extent permitted by law, we are not responsible or liable for any acts, omissions, errors, interruptions, delays, security incidents, payment failures, chargebacks, disputes, data handling practices, privacy breaches or other matters arising from or related to the services of a Third-Party Provider.
- 3.4 You acknowledge and agree that this Privacy Policy is between us and you only, and not any Third-Party Provider. We are solely responsible for the Site, the personal information obtained through our Site and the Products and/or Services.
- 3.5 If you wish to know how we use each Third Party Provider to provide our Products and/or Services to you, please contact us at hello@menopauseunderstood.com.au.

4. What information we may collect from you

- 4.1 In providing our Products and/or Services to you, both us and our Third Party Providers may collect the following personal information from you:
 - a. names;
 - b. email addresses;
 - c. country of residence;
 - d. a record of accepting the terms and conditions and this Privacy Policy, both available on our Site;
 - e. what Products and/or Services you have purchased;
 - f. the amount you have paid for our Products and/or Services;
 - g. the order status of your order of our Products and/or Services;
 - h. email enquiries and conversations to and from hello@menopauseunderstood.com.au;
 - i. billing, mailing, business and/or residential address;
 - j. banking, credit card, or other online payment details to process purchases;
 - k. IP address;
 - l. geolocation data;
 - m. device type and OS version;
 - n. browser type and version; and
 - o. activity on our Site, including pages visited, time spent on each page and referring URL.
- 4.2 We collect personal information about you so that we can perform our business activities and functions and provide best possible quality of customer service. We collect, hold, use and disclose your personal information for the following purposes:
 - a. to provide our Products and/or Services to you;

- b. to allow us to conduct our business functions;
- c. to contact you;
- d. to send communications requested by you;
- e. to conduct internal record keeping;
- f. to handle refunds and dispute requests;
- g. to protect the Site and business from fraud, misuse or security threats;
- h. to identify and understand user needs;
- i. to personalise and customise your experiences on our Site;
- j. to optimise, maintain, update and troubleshoot our Site, including our servers and digital infrastructure;
- k. to answer enquiries and provide information or advise you about existing and new Products and/or Services;
- l. to conduct market research, business development and marketing activities (including direct marketing);
- m. to send you promotional information about our Products and/or Services and about third parties that we think you may find interesting;
- n. to comply with our internal administrative, marketing and planning requirements; and
- o. to comply with any law, rule, regulation, lawful and binding determination, decision or direction of a regulator, or in cooperation with any governmental authority.

5. Payment Data

- 5.1 If you make payment for the Products and/or Services offered on our Site, we (or our third-party service providers, including but not limited to Payhip and the payment processing provider Stripe) will collect, store and use all information necessary to complete the transaction, including your payment card information, bank account information and/or other billing information. We use this information to send to our third-party payment gateways when you make payment for the Products and/or Services.

6. How do we collect your personal information?

- 6.1 We collect your personal information directly from you unless it is unreasonable or impracticable to do so. When collecting personal information from you, we may collect in ways including:
- a. when you make an enquiry about our Products and/or Services;
 - b. when you fill in any of our online forms, including when downloading free publications or making online bookings;
 - c. when you ask to be placed on one of our subscription/ mailing lists;
 - d. through your access and use of our Site, including when you use or access our social media pages;
 - e. through use of web analytics tools, “cookies” or other similar tracking technologies on our Site and social media pages that allow us to track and analyse your products and/or services usage;
 - f. during conversations between you and our representatives or through any other means or platforms, including social media and in-person workshops or other events;
 - g. when you become a client or customer of ours or otherwise use our Products and/or Services;
 - h. when you visit any links shared via our social media posts, emails or other landing pages; and
 - i. through third-party service providers where we understand the third-party will have obtained your consent to disclose this information.

7. What happens if we can't collect your personal information?

- 7.1 If you do not provide us with the personal information described above, some or all of the following may happen:
- we may not be able to provide our Products and/or Services to you, either to the same standard or at all;
 - we may not be able to provide you with information about Products and/or Services that you may want, including information about special promotions; or
 - we may be unable to tailor the content of our Site to your preferences and your experience of our Site may not be as enjoyable or useful.

8. Our Site

Site User Tracking Experience

- 8.1 We may use tracking software to review and improve your experience of our Site, surveys and landing pages. In particular, we may use Facebook Pixel, Infusionsoft, Active Campaign, Google Analytics, YouTube, or similar platforms.
- 8.2 When visiting our Site, the Site server makes a record of the visit and logs the following information for statistical and administrative purposes:
- the user's server address – to consider the users who use the Site regularly and tailor the Site to their interests and requirements;
 - the date and time of the visit to the Site – this is important for identifying the Site's busy times and ensuring maintenance on the Site is conducted outside these periods;
 - pages accessed and documents downloaded – this indicates to us which pages or documents are most important to users and also helps identify important information that may be difficult to find;
 - duration of the visit – this indicates to us how interesting and informative our Site is to users;
 - the type of browser used – this is important for browser specific coding; and
 - in order to optimise our Site and better understand its usage, we collect the visiting domain name or IP address, computer operating system, browser type and screen resolution.
- 8.3 We may use advertising products, such as Remarketing with Facebook, Google Analytics and Google Analytics Demographics and Interest Reporting. Google Analytics collects data about our Site traffic via Google Advertising cookies and anonymous identifiers.
- 8.4 Data collected via these Google products is not linked with any personally identifiable information you submit while on our Site. If you wish to opt out of the Google Analytics data collection, you may do so on Google's Site at tools.google.com/dlpage/gaoptout.

Cookies

- 8.5 When you access our Site, we may send a "cookie" (which is a small summary file containing a unique ID number) to your computer. This enables us to recognise your computer and greet you each time you visit our Site without bothering you with a request to register. It also enables us to keep track of Products and/or Services you view so that, if you consent, we can send you news about those Products and/or Services.

- 8.6 We also use cookies to measure traffic patterns, to determine which areas of our Site have been visited and to measure transaction patterns in the aggregate.
- 8.7 We use this to research our users' habits so that we can improve our online services. Our cookies do not collect personal information. If you do not wish to receive cookies, you can set your browser so that your computer does not accept them. We may log IP addresses (that is, the electronic addresses of computers connected to the Internet) to analyse trends, administer the Site, track users' movements, and gather broad demographic information.
- 8.8 The Site may contain content and sharing tools embedded from various social networks, such as Facebook. These suppliers may use and place cookies on your device. We do not have access to, and cannot control, these cookies or the personal data and information that they may collect. You therefore need to check the websites of these suppliers to get further information on how they manage cookies and what information their cookies collect.

Security

- 8.9 As our Site is linked to the Internet, and the Internet is inherently insecure, we cannot provide any assurance regarding the security of transmission of information you communicate to us online.
- 8.10 We also cannot guarantee that the information you supply will not be intercepted while being transmitted over the Internet. Accordingly, any personal information or other information which you transmit to us online is transmitted at your own risk.

Links and third-party providers

- 8.11 We provide links to websites outside of our Site, as well as to third-party websites. These linked sites are not under our control, and we cannot accept responsibility for the conduct of any companies, businesses, affiliates, advertisers or sponsors, linked to our Site.
- 8.12 Before disclosing your personal information on any other website or to any third party, including but not limited to Payhip, we advise you to examine the terms and conditions of using that website and its privacy policy. Third-party websites are responsible for informing you about their own privacy practices.

9. Groups and forums

- 9.1 If you participate in an in-person discussion forum, chat room or webinar (whether hosted by us or not), you should be aware that the information you provide there will be made broadly available to others, potentially inside or outside us, who have access to that discussion forum or chat room. Also, please recognise that individual forums and chat rooms may have additional rules and conditions. Each participant's opinion on a forum or chat room is his or her own and should not be considered as reflecting the opinion of us.
- 9.2 Please be advised that for any forums or webinars you attend, recordings can be enabled by a meeting or webinar host. By signing up for any of these, or any other host authorised by our webinar services or otherwise using them in any way, including without limitation by attending any of our meetings or webinars, you expressly acknowledge that we may make and store recordings for meetings or webinars, and may make such recordings available to hosts and other attendees at the direction of us. If you do not want to be recorded, you can choose to leave the meeting or webinar.

10. Who do we disclose your information to?

10.1 We may disclose your personal information to:

- a. our directors, employees, agents, contractors or service providers, including, without limitation, consultants, web hosting providers, IT systems administrators, CRM platforms, mailing houses, couriers, payment processors, data entry service providers, electronic network administrators, debt collectors, and professional advisors such as accountants, solicitors and business advisors, for the purposes of operating our Site or our business, fulfilling requests by you, and to otherwise provide Products and/or Services to you;
- b. suppliers and other third parties with whom we have commercial relationships, including but not limited to Payhip, for business, marketing, and related purposes, which may include overseas parties;
- c. credit reporting agencies and courts, tribunals, regulatory authorities where customers fail to pay for goods or services provided by us to them, and other law enforcement officers as required by law; and
- d. any other organisation for any authorised purpose with your express consent.

10.2 We only disclose this information if the third party has agreed to comply with the standards in our Privacy Policy.

10.3 If there is any change or potential change to the control of our business pursuant to the sale, assignment or transfer of the business, or business assets, its assets and/or liabilities, we reserve the right to sell, assign and/or transfer our user databases, together with any personal information and non-personal information contained in those databases to the extent permitted by law. In that event, your personal information may be disclosed to a potential purchaser, assignee or transferee, however any disclosures will only be made in good faith and where confidentiality is maintained.

11. Direct marketing materials

11.1 We may send you direct marketing communications and information about our Products and/or Services that we consider may be of interest to you. These communications may be sent in various forms, including mail, SMS and email, in accordance with applicable marketing laws, such as the *Spam Act 2003* (Cth).

11.2 If you indicate a preference for a method of communication, we will endeavour to use that method whenever practical to do so.

11.3 In addition, at any time you may opt-out of receiving marketing communications from us by contacting us at hello@menopauseunderstood.com.au or by using opt-out facilities provided in the marketing communications and we will then ensure that your name is removed from our subscription/ mailing list.

11.4 We do not provide your personal information to other organisations for the purposes of direct marketing.

12. Security and data quality

- 12.1 We take reasonable steps to ensure your personal information is protected from misuse and loss and from unauthorised access, modification or disclosure.
- 12.2 We strive to ensure the security, integrity and privacy of personal information that you submit to us through our Site. Unfortunately, no data transmission over the Internet can be guaranteed to be totally secure.
- 12.3 We endeavour to take all reasonable steps to protect the personal information you may transmit to us or from our online Products and/or Services. Once we do receive your transmission, we will also make our best efforts to ensure its security on our systems.
- 12.4 In addition, our employees and the contractors who provide Products and/or Services related to our information systems are obliged to respect the confidentiality of any personal information held by us.
- 12.5 We may hold your information in either electronic or hard copy form. Personal information is destroyed or de-identified when no longer needed or when we are no longer required by law to retain it (whichever is the latter).
- 12.6 Should a data breach involving personal information occur:
 - a. we will take positive steps to address the breach in a timely manner and take remedial action such that the data breach does not result in serious harm; and
 - b. we will undertake reasonable and expeditious assessment to determine if it is an “eligible data breach”, that is a breach likely to result in serious harm to any individual affected.
- 12.7 In compliance with *Privacy Amendment (Notifiable Data Breaches) Act 2017* (Cth), we agree that if we become aware of reasonable grounds to believe an eligible data breach has occurred, we will promptly notify the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner, the Australian Data and Insights Association and the affected individuals at likely risk of serious harm.

13. How long do we retain your personal data?

- 13.1 We will only keep your personal data for as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes we collected it for, including for the purposes of satisfying any legal, accounting, or reporting requirements.
- 13.2 To determine the appropriate retention period for personal data, we consider the amount, nature, and sensitivity of the personal data, the potential risk of harm from unauthorised use or disclosure of your personal data, the purposes for which we process your personal data and whether we can achieve those purposes through other means, and the applicable legal requirements.
- 13.3 By law, we must keep basic information about our customers (including contact, identity, financial and transaction data) for five years for Australian tax law purposes.
- 13.4 In some circumstances, you can ask us to delete your data; see your legal rights below for further information.

- 13.5 In some circumstances we may anonymise your personal data (so that it can no longer be associated with you) for research or statistical purposes in which case we may use this information indefinitely without further notice to you.

14. If I am based in the EU, what are my legal rights under the GDPR?

- 14.1 If the General Data Protection Regulation applies to you because you are in the European Union, you have rights under data protection laws in relation to your personal data:
- a. The right to be informed – that’s an obligation on us to inform you how we use your personal data;
 - b. The right of access – that’s a right to make what’s known as a “data subject access request” for copy of the personal data we hold about you;
 - c. The right to rectification – that’s a right to make us correct personal data about you that may be incomplete or inaccurate;
 - d. The right to erasure – that’s also known as the “right to be forgotten” where in certain circumstances you can ask us to delete the personal data we have about you (unless there’s an overriding legal reason we need to keep it);
 - e. The right to restrict processing – that’s a right for you in certain circumstances to ask us to suspend processing personal data;
 - f. The right to data portability – that’s a right for you to ask us for a copy of your personal data in a common format (for example, a .csv file);
 - g. The right to object – that’s a right for you to object to us processing your personal data (for example, if you object to us processing your data for direct marketing); and
 - h. Rights in relation to automated decision making and profiling – that’s a right you have for us to be transparent about any profiling we do, or any automated decision making.
- 14.2 These rights are subject to certain rules around when you can exercise them.
- 14.3 If you wish to exercise any of the rights set out above, please contact us at hello@menopauseunderstood.com.au.

15. How can you access and correct your personal information?

- 15.1 You may request access to any personal information we hold about you at any time by contacting us at hello@menopauseunderstood.com.au.
- 15.2 Where we hold information that you are entitled to access, we will try to provide you with suitable means of accessing it (for example, by mailing or emailing it to you).
- 15.3 We may charge you a reasonable fee to cover our administrative and other reasonable costs in providing the information to you.
- 15.4 We will not charge for simply making the request and will not charge for making any corrections to your personal information.

- 15.5 There may be instances where we cannot grant you access to the personal information we hold. For example, we may need to refuse access if granting access would interfere with the privacy of others or if it would result in a breach of confidentiality. If that happens, we will give you written reasons for any refusal.
- 15.6 If you believe that personal information we hold about you is incorrect, incomplete or inaccurate, then you may request us to amend it. We will consider if the information requires correction. If we do not agree that there are grounds for correction, then we will add a note to the personal information stating that you disagree with it.

16. How can you withdraw your consent to this Privacy Policy?

- 16.1 You may withdraw your consent to this Privacy Policy at any point. If you wish to withdraw your consent to our collection and retention of your data, please contact our Data Protection Officer at hello@menopauseunderstood.com.au and we can arrange for your data to be deleted, destroyed or returned to the extent we are permitted by law. However, this may affect your use of this Site or any Products and/or Services offered on it.
- 16.2 You may choose to restrict the collection or use of your personal information. If you have previously agreed to us using your personal information for direct marketing purposes, you may change your mind at any time by contacting us at the email address listed in this Privacy Policy.
- 16.3 To unsubscribe from our email database, or opt out of any communications, please contact us at hello@menopauseunderstood.com.au, with "Unsubscribe" in the subject line of the email.

17. What is the process for complaining about a breach of privacy?

- 17.1 If you believe that your privacy has been breached, please contact us using the contact information below and provide details of the incident so that we can investigate it.
- 17.2 We will treat your complaint confidentially, investigate your complaint and aim to ensure that we contact you and your complaint is resolved within a reasonable time (and in any event within the time required by the Privacy Act and/or the GDPR, if applicable).

18. Contacting us

- 18.1 If you have any questions about this Privacy Policy, any concerns or a complaint regarding the treatment of your privacy or a possible breach of your privacy, please contact us at hello@menopauseunderstood.com.au.
- 18.2 We will treat your requests or complaints confidentially.
- 18.3 Our representative will contact you within a reasonable time after receipt of your complaint to discuss your concerns and outline options regarding how they may be resolved.
- 18.4 We will aim to ensure that your complaint is resolved in timely and appropriate manner.

19. Changes to our Privacy Policy

- 19.1 All personal information held by us will be governed by our most recent Privacy Policy, posted on our Site, where the Privacy Policy will be located.

19.2 Any changes to this Privacy Policy may be advised to you by updating this page on our Site. We encourage you to check this page from time to time for any changes.

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