

## FECCA New and Emerging Communities Advisory Committee

### TERMS OF REFERENCE

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#### PURPOSE

FECCA seeks to provide advocacy on policy issues affecting new and emerging communities through:

- addressing intersectional challenges experienced by new and emerging communities;
- developing a holistic approach to improve outcomes for new and emerging communities; and
- broadening awareness of key issues and developing collaborative solutions to address them.

#### OBJECTIVES

The Committee supports FECCA in:

- providing a holistic and innovative paradigm of thinking to inform policy, planning and practice development and implementation;
- facilitating engagement with new and emerging community groups;
- advocating on behalf of new and emerging communities;
- identifying issues, and formulating evidence-based advice, for Government; and
- developing initiatives to promote positive outcomes for new and emerging communities.

#### MEMBERSHIP

The Committee membership comprises expertise, both within and outside FECCA membership, on issues impacting new and emerging communities. It aims to ensure the broadest and the most balanced possible representation in terms of geography, cultural and gender diversity, and expertise.

Membership may be reviewed, as necessary, to address any identified gaps in the Committee expertise.

The Chair of the Committee is FECCA's New and Emerging Communities' Chair.

FECCA Chairperson is an *ex-officio* member.

General members will be identified by the FECCA Chairperson and FECCA's New and Emerging Communities' Chair, in consultation with the FECCA Executive. Members will be

appointed by a letter of invitation, and expressions of interest will be considered. The term will be for two (2) years, which can be extended.

Participation is voluntary and no remuneration is payable.

### **MEETINGS**

Meetings will be convened by FECCA's New and Emerging Communities' Chair in consultation with the secretariat, provided by the FECCA Office. The committee will usually meet biannually by teleconference, and utilise email out of session as required.

### **REVIEW**

The Terms of Reference may be reviewed by the FECCA Executive Committee and agreed, as necessary. These Terms of Reference are dated January 2016.