

National Anti-Racism Framework – Multicultural Community Consultations

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. Do consultation sessions need to focus on the multicultural community groups outlined in question 9 of the application form? Is it possible to organise a consultation session that does not focus on a particular community group?

One of the key purposes of these consultation sessions is to understand the intersectional impact of racism and racial discrimination. Ideally, a consultation session should focus on a group identified in question 9, however, FECCA will consider consultation sessions that cross over multiple groups.
2. Do organisations need to seek ethics approval for the consultation strategies they're proposing?

FECCA's project does not require ethics approval as all data FECCA receives will be de-identified. However, if an organisation wishes to use the data for research purposes, it will be the responsibility of the organisation to obtain all required approvals such as (but not limited to) ethics approval and the informed consent of participants, and ensure that the data is used in an ethical manner. Organisations will also be required to comply with the terms and conditions around the use and attribution of intellectual property, as stipulated in their contracts with FECCA.
3. Is the requirement for a photographer mandatory?

If an organisation considers that it will be best to not have a photographer present at a consultation session, the requirement can be waived. Please outline your reasons in question 13 of the application form.
4. Are organisations expected to cover the cost of gift certificates in their funding proposals?

Yes, organisations must include the expenses for gift certificates in their funding proposal. Organisations are expected to meet the requirements in sections C and D of the application form and all other relevant expenses, using the funding they receive from FECCA. Please ensure to include the funding allocation for gift certificates in the breakdown of costs provided in question 20 of the application form.
5. Will organisations be provided with consultation questions? If so, will there be flexibility to tailor the questions or add new questions in addition to the standardised questions?

FECCA has developed a consultation framework including guiding questions. However, each consultation session will have the flexibility to support participant-led discussions to allow issues, ideas, insights and solutions to emerge organically. It will be up to the community-based facilitator and community organisation to decide how best this can be achieved.
6. If an organisation is proposing multiple consultations, what is the timeframe to deliver the consultations?

FECCA expects all 17 consultations to be completed by early March 2024.
7. Does FECCA only require transcripts from community consultations or is there a requirement for short summaries as well? If so, will a template be provided for summaries/reports?

At a minimum, FECCA requires organisations hosting consultations to provide a transcript to FECCA and a report back to the consultation participants. If the organisation has the capacity, they're welcome to provide FECCA with a report as well in addition to the transcript. FECCA will provide a template for the transcripts.

8. Does the funding include a dissemination aspect where organisations host a community engagement event to communicate outcomes?

There is nothing in the eligibility criteria that prevents an organisation from hosting a community engagement event to communicate outcomes from consultations.