

# FORUM OF NON GOVERNMENT AGENCIES



FONGA

## Terms of Reference

### 1. Purpose

The NSW Forum of Non-Government Agencies (FONGA) is a leadership group which provides a collective voice to the NSW Government and other key stakeholders. FONGA promotes reform, development and innovation within the community sector and works actively to make change to improve outcomes for disadvantaged and vulnerable people and communities and the sector.

### 2. Membership

The membership of FONGA is open to NCOSS Organisational Members.

### 3. Meetings

3.1 FONGA will meet bi monthly.

3.2 The meetings will be chaired by the CEO of NCOSS or their delegate.

3.3 Working groups may be established to undertake specific projects and policy actions on behalf of FONGA.

3.4 NCOSS will provide the secretariat which includes basic administrative and support services.

3.5 FONGA is a vehicle for discussion and consultation, as such Peak and consumer representative members will consult with and gather information from their members to contribute.

3.6 Decisions will be made by a simple majority. Any member may opt to remove their support for an action by notifying the secretariat.

3.7 Any disputes will be resolved using Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) principles and processes. Any dispute which cannot be resolved will be referred to a Community Justice Centre.

### 5. Changes to this document

5.1 These Terms of Reference will be reviewed at three yearly intervals, or earlier, if FONGA so resolves.

\* Definition of not-for-profit from the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) No. 75 of 2001 as amended: Part 1.2, 3:18 (a) "... otherwise than for profit".