

Centre for Health and Care Equity Voluntary, Community and Faith Organisation Member

Advisory Board Background information

Help guide the development and delivery of Newham's Centre for Health and Care Equity

Thank you for taking time to consider the role of **Centre for Health and Care Equity Advisory Board Voluntary, Community and Faith Organisation Member**.

Background

The London Borough of Newham is developing a Centre for Health and Care Equity in partnership with local universities and community organisations. This is a part of all we are doing in Newham to maximise collective capacity to reducing long standing health inequalities. We are developing the Centre because research done in Newham should benefit Newham and lessons from the work we do should improve future work. We should do research about questions that matter to all of us.

The purpose of the Centre is to:

1. To generate actionable insights for how policy and practice can better promote health equity at a local level
2. To enable collaboration between the local authority, NHS, local organisations, communities and academia through partnerships, co-production and capacity building
3. To use the learning to inform decision-making in Newham and to disseminate the learning to influence change more widely
4. To support communities across Newham to be actively involved

The Centre launched in Nov 2023 with an event that was attended by people from all across the Borough.

We are establishing an Advisory Board to provide strategic direction and support to the Centre. The Board will be chaired by Marie Gabriel, CBE who is Chair of North East London Integrated Care Board and the NHS Race and Health Observatory. The Advisory Board will be supported by a Delivery Group.

The Advisory Board will give strategic direction to the Centre and aims to:

- Connect and engage the Centre into home institutions and sectors
- Act as Champions for the Centre
- Provide guidance to the Centre for Equity Delivery Group on where to focus, how and why

Your Role as an Advisory Board Member

We are keen to ensure that there is collective leadership across Newham for the strategy and that voluntary, community and faith organisations in the borough are represented on this board.

We are looking to appoint 3 Voluntary, Community and Faith Organisation members to join the Board. We are also looking to have representation from residents.

You will be appointed for a period of 2 years. As an Advisory Board member you will:

- bring your voice as a Voluntary, Community and Faith Organisation leader and views from your community across the delivery of The Centre's work
- identify connections between The Centre and other thing happening across Newham
- help solve problems and barriers that the Centre faces

- identify and incorporate other local activities and work

We don't expect members to represent all communities – we want to make sure we have diversity of views and voices in the work.

Payment

We will use the Council's Co-Production Reward and Recognition Policy, and provide payment of the London Living Wage rate (£13.15 from 01/04/2024 to 31/03/2025). This will apply to organisations with an annual turnover of £100,000 or less.

How to apply

If you are interested in being a member of the Advisory Board, please submit the accompanying [Expression of Interest form](https://www.newham.gov.uk/ApplyforBoardMembership) <https://www.newham.gov.uk/ApplyforBoardMembership> and return it to CentreForEquity@newham.gov.uk by **Monday 3rd June at 12 noon**. Interviews will be held **4th and 5th June** and **final decision on 10 June**. The first meeting is being scheduled for early July.

Information sessions (the same session being held twice to enable participation) are being held 20th May 6.30-7.30 pm and 22 May 13.30-14.30 on zoom

<https://zoom.us/j/91780129706?pwd=bnlGaDV2U3VwaUFmcUs5b2JPZzl1QT09>

meeting ID: 917 8012 9706 / Password: 470054

The full timeline is below:

| Date | Activity |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 14 May | Expression of Interest launched |
| 20 May 6.30-7.30 | Information session |
| 22 May 13:30-14:30 | Information session |
| 3 June 12 noon | Expression of interest due |
| 4 June | Invitation to interview |
| 5 or 6 June | Interviews |
| 10 June | Final decision |

Any questions can be directed to CentreForEquity@newham.gov.uk. We welcome your expression of interest.