

CMRC Reconciliation, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Framework

The CMRC has developed this Reconciliation & EDI Framework to guide our work in this area. The framework is built on four elements: governance and leadership; systems, structures and policies; competencies, standards and CMRE; and partnerships & strategic engagement. In implementing the CMRC strategic plan, Reconciliation & EDI provide important lenses as we measure our impact. CMRC recognizes that we must embed concepts related to Reconciliation and EDI in all aspects of our work.

GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP

- -Encourage and incorporate diverse and inclusive viewpoints and a culture of respect and inclusion, privileging Indigenous thought leadership and voices.
- -Mobilize and sustain EDI commitments and resources through leadership, governance, and accountability.
- -Increase leadership competency around EDI by identifying and sharing learning opportunities for staff and CMRC members to strengthen their inclusive leadership skills.
- -Develop metrics and reporting structures for tracking and reporting progress on EDI activities over time.

SYSTEMS, STRUCTURES AND POLICIES

- -Establish and enact organizational systems, structures, policies and processes that mobilize and sustain EDI commitments and activities.
- -Evaluate structures, policies and processes through an EDI and decolonized lens, looking to weave Indigenous ways of knowing and being into our work.
- Create an inclusive and diverse work environment for staff, consultants, and midwives (subject matter experts) that ensures equitable access to opportunities and development.

COMPETENCIES, STANDARDS, CMRE

-Enhance and innovate the CMRC competencies, positions statements, member resources, and CMRE content in a manner that exemplifies cultural safety, cultural humility, equity, diversity and inclusivity, societal relevance, impact in the midwifery community, and legal plurality.

PARTNERSHIPS & STRATEGIC ENGAGEMENT

- -Attract and engage a community of members, staff, partners, and leaders that reflects national demographic diversity, including groups historically and contemporarily underrepresented, underutilized, and underserved, and specifically Indigenous peoples.
- -Establish partnerships with other organizations and individuals to build and sustain relationships, and to support our EDI, reconciliation and anti-racism work.
- -Create partnerships and linkages to help strengthen equity, diversity and inclusion in midwifery regulation.

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