

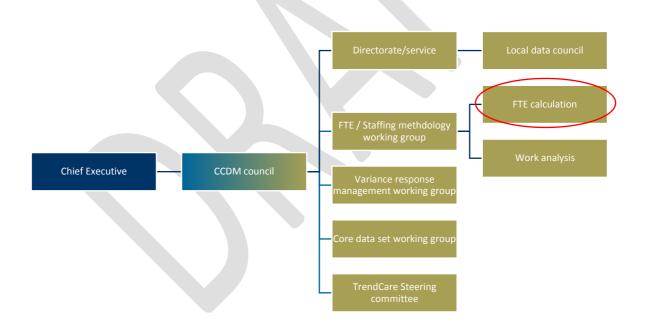
FTE Calculation working group terms of reference

Purpose

The full time equivalent (FTE) calculation working group is a subgroup convened annually with accountability to the CCDM council. The purpose of the FTE calculation working group is to:

- 1. Develop an FTE calculation strategy and communications for CCDM council endorsement.
- 2. Establish and verify the FTE calculation data inputs and outputs for CCDM council endorsement.
- 3. Ensure activity occurs in a logical, organised and efficient way as per the FTE calculation road map (refer associated documents).

Reporting structure















Key tasks/role

- Make recommendations to the CCDM council on approach/strategy for implementing the FTE calculation (refer associated documents FTE calculation implementation options).
- Develop detailed work plan/s for conducting the FTE calculation as per the FTE calculation road map.
- Assign roles, responsibilities and timelines for completing the work plan.
- Review FTE data quality checks and make recommendations to the CCDM council to proceed or not.
- Validate the FTE calculation data inputs (data request schedule).
- Complete ward/unit context assessment (data request schedule).
- Review FTE calculation checklist (see associated documents).
- Assign designated person to write/compile FTE calculation report.
- Endorse FTE calculation report and recommendations for submission to the CCDM council.
- Make timely decisions and hold staff to account for undertaking actions within the agreed timeframes.
- Monitor and evaluate the progress against work plan.
- Report monthly to the CCDM council on progress against work plan.
- Ensure partnership processes and practices are managed effectively.
- Communicate with all key stakeholders on progress as per communication plan/strategy.
- Receive information from and feedback to the local data councils.
- Provide opportunities to develop internal expertise in care capacity demand management.

Membership

Name/title	Role in council
Executive Director Nursing and Midwifery	Co-chair, set strategy, make decisions using partnership approach, remove barriers, ensure accountability, ensure group members have required knowledge.
Health Union representatives i.e NZNO, PSA, MERAS organisers and professional advisers	Co-chair, represent members, make decisions using partnership approach and advise on MECA entitlements.



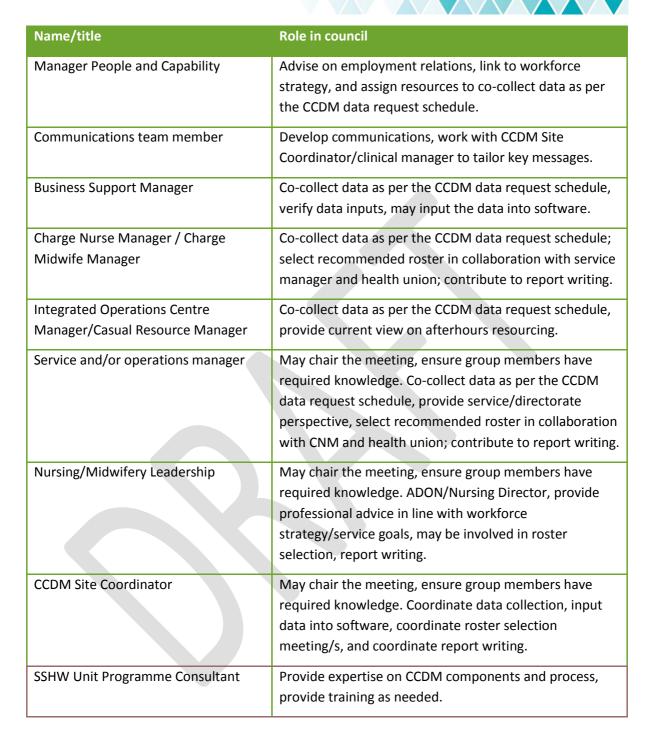












Other members may be co-opted to the working group as and when required to provide expert advice. Membership will be reviewed annually.













Responsibilities

- Group members are expected to have good knowledge of the FTE calculation methodology.
- Group members are expected to attend and participate in all meetings.
- Abide by the decisions of the working group and CCDM council.
- Ensure confidentiality of information provided to the working group and CCDM council.
- Disseminate and discuss information with the people/groups as agreed to progress the FTE calculation work plan.
- Read and provide feedback on all documents received within the agreed timeframes.
- Ensure meeting actions are followed through and reported on within the agreed timeframes.

Meeting process

Meetings will be held on the <insert frequency date and day> for a maximum of one hour. Meeting time will be from <insert start and finish time of the meeting >.

- Agenda items will be called for by the Chair 5 working days prior to the scheduled meeting.
- Additional agenda items may be taken by the Chair at the meeting or prior to commencing.
- An agenda and papers will be circulated by the Chair before the meeting.
- Members are to inform the Chair if not attending a meeting at least 48 hours prior.
- Where members are unable to attend a meeting proxy will not be accepted.
- One topic will be discussed at a time.
- All members will participate in discussion and decision making.
- One person will have the floor at a time.
- Members' remarks will be relevant to the matters under discussion.
- The chair will summarise the main points
- Actions will be followed up on.
- New assignments will be specific and clear.
- Good timing will be maintained (start, finish and duration of discussions).
- Meeting minutes will be circulated 5 working days after the meeting (refer Appendix).
- Meeting minutes will be confirmed as 'final' at the next meeting. Copies will be retained as part of the FTE calculation working group programme documents.
- Meeting process will be periodically evaluated using both verbal and written feedback methods. Quarterly, ask the following two questions or distribute the meeting evaluation form.
 - O What went well at this meeting?
 - O What needs to be changed?
- Meeting evaluation results will be fed back to the group at the next meeting.













Decision making

- A quorum for a meeting is represented by a 50 percent attendance of the group plus the chair.
- The quorum must include union representation.
- Should the quorum not be present, items passed will be held for ratification until the next meeting.
- Where possible, decisions will be made by consensus.
- If group consensus cannot be reached a summary of views will be documented, distributed and held within the group document file.
- Where decisions are contentious and/or complex, a decision making framework will be used and separate detailed documentation made of the decision.

Functional relationships

- Local data councils
- CCDM working parties
- Information technology, people and capability, project management office, pay roll, business support personnel









