

Terms of Reference

1. Undertake the consultations necessary to establish a list of stakeholders that represent the broad range of research methodologies and organizational modalities involved in research on humans, as well as a broad range of research participants and communities.
2. Convene one or more meetings of stakeholders as necessary to supply advice which will permit the Task Force to:
 - a) Establish a mechanism for the development of standards of accreditation informed by TCPS and other policies and regulations governing human research in Canada;
 - b) Propose detailed operational models for the accreditation process;
 - c) Propose an appropriate model for the operation of the accrediting entity;
 - d) Identify the essential prerequisites for the success of an accreditation system;
 - e) Report on the feasibility of operating pilot studies on one or more operational models.
3. Report on progress to NCEHR at its next meeting with a view to issuing a final report within 12 months of the first meeting of the Task Force.

Membership

The membership should include two co-chairs with a small number of Council members appointed by the Executive Committee. The Task Force is empowered to add members from outside Council.