Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Communities**

Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations (ACCO) Commissioning Framework

Statement of Intent

Foundations For Working Together

Cultural Safety and Governance
Ways of ACCO commissioning are grounded in Aboriginal knowledge and culture.

Partnerships
ACCO commissioning involves genuine engagements that prioritise self-determination and government accountability.

Economic and Socio-Economic Opportunities
ACCOs are prioritised where services are significant for Aboriginal children, families and communities.

Building Trust

Communities
listens and seeks to understand the historical, cultural and social context of the community where ACCO commissioning will occur, and respond to local priorities, strengths and aspirations.

Governance and Planning
Communities will establish relationships with local Aboriginal people, organisations and Elders, to enhance shared decision making for ACCO commissioning processes.

Share Information and Engage Community
Information and data relevant to an ACCO commissioning process is shared and considered with a cultural lens. Government processes are transparent and there is sufficient time in the process to engage Aboriginal people.

Design Services Together
Local Aboriginal voices are central to, and elevated in, the design of services delivered by ACCOs.

Building From Trust

Procurement from ACCOs
Cultural knowledge, connections and strengths, Aboriginal perspectives and priorities, lived experience and place-based responses will be valued in procurement processes, and complexity will be reduced for ACCOs.

Embed Contracts and Support ACCOs
ACCOs will be supported through relationship-based contract management, to establish services, achieve the desired outcomes, overcome challenges, and respond to the needs of their community.

Learn and Improve Together
With culture at the heart, activities to reflect, review, learn and continuously improve will help Communities, ACCOs and their local communities to deliver positive outcomes.

To find out more and to read the full version: https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-communities/aboriginal-community-controlled-organisation-acco-commissioning-framework

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