

Title	Prepare an advocacy plan for use by a fire and rescue service organisation		
Level	6	Credits	4

Purpose	People credited with this unit standard are able to: clarify fire service organisations and community concerns, issues, and needs requiring advocacy; and plan a course of action for advocacy.
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Classification	Fire and Rescue Services > Fire and Rescue Services - Structural and Industrial
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Available grade	Achieved
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Entry information	
Recommended skills and knowledge	Unit 16940, <i>Implement an advocacy plan for a fire and rescue service organisation.</i>

Explanatory notes

- 1 Legislation relating to this unit standard includes the Privacy Act 1993 and subsequent amendments.
- 2 *Advocacy* refers to the activity of supporting the candidates organisational values, strategies, policies and processes in the wider community context to promote and change understanding toward safe fire practices.
- 3 *Community* may include, but is not limited to, a community of interest, a community of locality, a cultural community, and a kin group.
- 4 *Advocacy interventions* is the activity that the advocate is conducting with respect to the community.
- 5 *Other stakeholders* may include agencies, organisations, and people holding power and/or resources in the situation; and other interested individuals, families or whānau, hapu, iwi, groups, or communities who support the advocacy case, and/or are affected by the concern, issue, and/or need.

Outcomes and evidence requirements

Outcome 1

Clarify fire service organisations and community concerns, issues, and needs requiring advocacy.

Evidence requirements

- 1.1 The concerns, issues and needs of the community that require advocacy are identified in accordance with the results of consultation with the community and other stakeholders.
- 1.2 Other stakeholders are identified in terms of their interest in the concern, issue, and need.
- 1.3 Information on the concerns, issues, and needs is gathered according to relevance to clarify the concerns, issues, and needs.
- 1.4 The desired outcome of advocacy interventions is determined in consultation with any individual and/or group, and/or with key people from a community seeking advocacy.

Outcome 2

Prepare an advocacy plan.

Evidence requirements

- 2.1 Planning is conducted in terms of organisational policy to include the nature of the individual, group, or community seeking advocacy and the fire and rescue service person's role and function.
- 2.2 Planning is conducted using methods that encourage self-reliance of the individual, group, or community.

Range may include but is not limited to – ownership, facilitation, resourcing, delivery.
- 2.3 Planning is conducted to identify organisational policies where advocacy strategies can assist in achieving desired organisational policy outcomes.
- 2.4 Proposals for an advocacy plan are within parameters established with the individual, group, or community seeking advocacy.

2.5 The advocacy plan identifies strategies to be adopted to achieve the desired outcome.

Range strategies may include but are not limited to – individual advocacy, self-advocacy, lobbying, negotiation, private and public meetings, public demonstrations, letters, petitions, submissions, use of news media, public events, presentations.

2.6 Planning is approved according to organisational policy and requirements.

This unit standard is expiring. Assessment against the standard must take place by the last date for assessment set out below.

Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

Process	Version	Date	Last Date for Assessment
Registration	1	22 December 1999	31 December 2013
Revision	2	22 March 2004	31 December 2013
Review	3	24 August 2006	31 December 2013
Review	4	17 November 2011	31 December 2013

Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR) reference

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This CMR can be accessed at <http://www.nzqa.govt.nz/framework/search/index.do>.

Please note

Providers must be granted consent to assess against standards (accredited) by NZQA, before they can report credits from assessment against unit standards or deliver courses of study leading to that assessment.

Industry Training Organisations must be granted consent to assess against standards by NZQA before they can register credits from assessment against unit standards.

Providers and Industry Training Organisations, which have been granted consent and which are assessing against unit standards must engage with the moderation system that applies to those standards.

Requirements for consent to assess and an outline of the moderation system that applies to this standard are outlined in the Consent and Moderation Requirements (CMR). The CMR also includes useful information about special requirements for organisations wishing to develop education and training programmes, such as minimum qualifications for tutors and assessors, and special resource requirements.