

Terms of Reference
National Associations Active in Criminal Justice
and
Correctional Service of Canada
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WHEREAS the Correctional Service of Canada (CSC) the National Associations Active in Criminal Justice (NAACJ) benefit from a long-standing relationship;

WHEREAS the CSC as part of the criminal justice system and respecting the rule of law, contributes to public safety by actively encouraging and assisting offenders to become law-abiding citizens, while exercising reasonable, safe, secure and humane control;

WHEREAS NAACJ enhances the capacity of member organizations to contribute to a just, fair, equitable and effective justice system;

WHEREAS CSC and NAACJ work towards effective corrections and public safety;

THEREFORE, CSC and NAACJ agree to work collaboratively in order to mutually achieve and maintain complementary objectives, sustained dialogue and positive relationships.

I. PROGRAM

Over the past several years NAACJ has received a contribution from CSC to coordinate two semi-annual meetings each fiscal year. Collaborations between NAACJ, its members and CSC are comprised of formal as well as ad hoc meetings and interactions throughout the year as required¹.

II. PURPOSE

1. To work collaboratively on correctional issues and priorities where mutually agreed by engaging in open, inclusive and ongoing dialogue throughout the public policy process (see section IV Scope of Work),
2. To enable NAACJ, its members and CSC representatives to meet regularly in order to share information, knowledge and expertise, and
3. To provide an environment for professional networking and relationship building.

III. OBJECTIVES

Collaboration and consultations contributing to effective corrections and public safety by facilitating the identification of opportunities for community-based networks to enhance community reintegration, and by encouraging the development of strategies, approaches and collaborative action plans for NAACJ, its members and CSC.

¹ Based on Collaboration Principles described in Appendix 1

