

# TOOL 20 – NETWORKING EVENT

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## AIM OF THE EVENT

To provide a forum for the Model groups to map their networks/ partnerships and share this information with each other

To carry out a mid year reflection on the use of the community development values in action.

## MATERIALS/RESOURCES

- Promotional Flyer (Tool 21)
- Presentation (Tool 22)
- Human Bingo Worksheet (Tool 23)
- Network Mapping Worksheet (Tool 24)
- Community Development in Action Worksheet (Tool 25)
- Coloured pens

## OBJECTIVE/PROGRAMME

Introduction and welcome to all the groups – Housekeeping – Fire Exits, Mobile Phones, Loop System, Refreshments, Location of Toilet Facilities, Break Times etc

**ACTIVITY 1 - Human Bingo** to allow for interaction.

Using **Tool 23 - Human Bingo** Worksheet Instruct participants to gain the signature of people not in their own group)

Introduce the networking activity using the slides in **Tool 22 - NICHI Networking Event Presentation.**

## ACTIVITY 2 - Mapping Networks

- Using **Tool 24**, the groups are asked to firstly write down their group name in the middle and then list any individual or organisation who has supported them around the outside.
- They are then asked to draw a straight (—) line from the middle to any organisations/individuals whom they have regular contact with and/or know well.

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- Then they are asked to draw a dotted line (---) to others whom they would like to work closer with.
- The final stage is for each group to share their map with the other groups and give a short explanatory overview of the map.
- At this stage, the groups are asked to take note on their own map, of any support individuals/organisations they have heard from other groups which they may want to develop connections with.
- Finally, the facilitator wraps this activity up by asking each group to reflect as a group on what the activity has shown them and what they would like to do next to improve their network, by building on the network they have.
- Note: Most groups are surprised by the number of connections they have and therefore the activity highlights their assets.

### ACTIVITY 3 - REFLECTION ON NICHI COMMUNITIES IN HEALTH MODEL

- Use the slides on the presentation to give an update on the community development values and what they may mean for the group's own practice. This will be a refresher from the Community Development workshop delivered to the groups at the beginning of the Communities in Health Model journey.
- Using **Tool 25 – Community Development in Action Worksheet**, each group is asked to reflect on the values using discussion and write down an example of each value in their practice so far in the Model.
- If there is limited time left for this activity, then each table could be allocated one or two values each, to ensure that there is discussion on each of the five values.

### ACTIVITY 4 – EVALUATION ON THE EVENT

- Participants are asked to complete **Tool 26** an evaluation of the event which will help the Organisers plan for the event the following year, based on feedback.