



Comparison International/Pacific Safe Community Criteria and Costs

The Safe Communities Foundation of New Zealand (SCFNZ) is a not-for-profit registered charitable organisation established to promote and support the accreditation of communities based on the World Health Organisation (WHO) Safe Communities model. SCFNZ is both a Certifying Centre and Affiliate Support Centre for the WHO Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion (CCCSP).

An accreditation process provides, not only support for communities, but an indication of a level of achievement within the field of safety promotion and injury prevention. SCFNZ has developed this factsheet to provide information for communities to compare criteria and costs related to International and Pacific Safe Communities accreditation. SCFNZ encourages communities to see Pacific designation as a stepping-stone to the more comprehensive ISC accreditation. The application process for the WHO CCCSP International accreditation process is detailed on SCFNZ Factsheet # 2 'What's an International Safe Community?' Information related to the application process for Pacific Safe Community accreditation is detailed on Factsheet # 5 'Criteria for Accreditation as a Pacific Safe Community'. These factsheets are available on the SCFNZ website www.safecommunities.org.nz.

International Safe Community Indicators	Pacific Safe Community Criteria
Indicator 1: An infrastructure based on partnership and collaborations, governed by a cross-sectional group, that is responsible for safety promotion in their community.	Leadership & Collaboration: Demonstration of leadership by coalition or group focused on improving community safety.
Indicator 2: Long-term, sustainable programs covering both genders and all ages, environments and situations.	Programme Reach: The range and reach of community safety programmes operating throughout your community/region, including an indication of the extent to which they are based on proven or promising intervention strategies.
Indicator 3: Programs that target high-risk groups and environments, and programs that promote safety for vulnerable groups.	Priority Setting: Demonstration of programmes that target and promote safety for high risk/vulnerable groups and environments.
Indicator 4: Programs that document the frequency and causes of injuries.	Data Analysis & Strategic Alignment: Analysis of available safety (injury, violence, crime and perception) data for your community/region and how they align with established national, state or regional priorities and action plans.
Indicator 5: Evaluation measures to assess their programs, processes and the effect of change.	Evaluation: Outline of expected impacts and how they are being measured or evaluated.
Indicator 6: Ongoing participation in national and international Safe Communities networks.	Communication & Networking: Demonstration of community engagement with relevant sectors of your community/region and ongoing participation in local, national and Pacific (Pacific) Safe Communities networks is required.



Costs associated with accreditation:

- For the WHO CCCSP International Safe Community accreditations, the fee is \$5000 + GST. This fee covers the international and national peer review process and travel costs associated with the site visit and designation ceremony (including the provision of an agreement, flag and plaque).
- For the SCFNZ Pacific Safe Community accreditations, the fee is \$2000 + GST for New Zealand applicants and \$4000 for applications from outside of New Zealand. The application fee from New Zealand applicants covers travel and accommodation costs associated with the site visit/accreditation ceremony (including the provision of an agreement and plaque). Communities are responsible for costs associated with hosting the site visit and accreditation celebration. Applicants outside of NZ are responsible for all site visit/accreditation travel and hosting costs.

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Similarities of both International & Pacific Safe Community Accreditation:

- Both follow the tradition established by the WHO Safe Community Model namely, community participation, programme sustainability, priority setting, effective use of data, programme evaluation, and the need for ongoing networking.
- Both require the submission of a written application to an accrediting centre.
- Both are subject to peer review.
- Both require the submission of annual reports.



Differences between International & Pacific Safe Community Accreditation:

➤ For International Safe Community (ISC) Accreditation:

- Communities refer to Municipalities/Territorial Local Authorities.
- Letters of intent must be submitted by the Mayor and the Mayor must be a signatory to the ISC agreement.
- Applicants need to demonstrate that they are addressing all injuries, all population groups and all environments.
- Applications that are supported/sponsored by businesses are not able to be submitted for consideration as an ISC.
- The review process involves international peer reviewers.
- A satisfactory site visit of 1-2 days is required to be completed at least a month before the designation ceremony is held.
- An international and well established World Health Organisation Collaborating Centre endorses all ISC applicants and successful applicants become members of the International Safe Communities Network



➤ For Pacific Safe Community (PSC) Accreditation:

- Communities can be defined in many different ways: geographically, shared interest or shared history.
- Letters of intent can be submitted by the community coalition chair.
- Applicants can focus on specific injury issues, population groups, or settings.
- Applications that are supported/sponsored by businesses are eligible to apply
- The review process involves peer reviewers, mainly from New Zealand and Australia.
- Joint site visit/accreditation celebrations are held.
- The Safe Communities Foundation of New Zealand endorses all Pacific Safe Community applications with members being eligible to join the Pan Pacific Safe Community Network, following its formation in mid 2010.



For further information about either the International or Pacific Safe Community Accreditation process, please contact us or visit the SCFNZ website www.safecommunities.org.nz.

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