



Shared focus checklist



A shared focus means that to have effective consumer involvement in cancer control, consumers are actively supported by organisational systems and processes, working as members of a team to achieve objectives. This brief checklist is designed to help you be certain that you are achieving a shared focus with consumers.

1. Accessible information and support

Consumers and professionals develop accessible information and support for people affected by cancer.

Questions	Not yet	Just starting	Established
Do you have a system for involving consumers in the development of resources and support programs?			
Are your consumers involved in these projects from the very beginning?			

2. Delivery of quality services and best practice

Consumers and professionals work together for the delivery of safe and quality cancer services based on best practice.

Questions	Not yet	Just starting	Established
Are your consumers and their family members considered equals in the delivery of their care across the organisation?			
Do your consumers participate in setting priorities for your organisation?			
Are your consumers involved in organisational design, development, implementation and evaluation?			

3. Research and evaluation

Consumers are involved in the design, conduct, translation and evaluation of research.

Questions	None	Some	The majority
Are your consumers involved in setting research priorities?			
Do your consumers participate in the design, development, implementation and evaluation of research?			
Are your consumers involved in clinical trial design, proposals and protocols?			

4. Policy development

Consumers participate in policy development to improve cancer outcomes.

Questions	None	Some	The majority
Do your consumers help set policy priorities?			
Are your consumers involved in developing policy proposals?			
Do your consumers review and evaluate policy programs and initiatives?			

5. Benchmarking and linkages

Consumers and professionals develop performance measures for the effectiveness of consumer involvement and to facilitate benchmarking opportunities for quality improvement. Linkages are made with communities with poorer outcomes.

Questions	None	Some	The majority
Are your consumers involved in developing measures for benchmarking consumer involvement?			
Do clear linkages exist between group leaders from your service and communities with poorer outcomes?			

