

Getting to know the Standard for Disaster Management in Queensland Info Sheet: Indicators of Outcome 13

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Collaboration and coordination

Collaboration and coordination refers to how entities consider an integrated approach, and work together to promote a positive environment within the disaster management sector across all phases of disaster management. It includes the ways in which they show leadership and commitment to the principles behind disaster management.

Outcome 13: A collaborative culture exists within disaster management

Please note: the following are examples only and should be used to inform understanding of how Indicators might be interpreted for individuals circumstances rather than as a checklist

Entities

Entities explore and act on opportunities for collaboration with others

- Entities engage in multi-agency research and collaborative projects, such as the development of the [Disability-Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction Framework and Toolkit](#)
- Entities collaborate with community groups to develop strategies around how disaster management practitioners can support community-led actions

Entities show leadership through a commitment to, and investment in, practices that can be sustained

- Entities prioritise conducting disaster management training for personnel outside of the disaster management workgroup, to ensure that proper fatigue management can be carried out during events
- Entities distribute their disaster management responsibilities between enough personnel to enable all responsibilities to be addressed properly, without over-allocating work to individuals

Entities integrate disaster management into strategic and operational plans

- Local governments identify disaster management priorities and outcomes in their strategic plans
- State entities incorporate the principles and priorities of the Queensland [Emergency Management Sector Adaptation Plan for climate change](#) into their strategic and operational plans

Entities identify interdependencies and work with other entities in a collaborative, problem-solving way

- District disaster coordinators work collaboratively with the local disaster management groups within their disaster district to ensure that the district disaster management plan and local disaster management plans align
- Area fire management groups work collaboratively with landholders and other entities within their region to align fire breaks across different properties to make them more effective

Individuals within the sector

Individuals within the sector recognise the importance of and maintain trusted relationships

- Individuals understand the benefits of knowing the people they will work with in coordination centres during an event, and maintain contact and relationships with them outside of events

- Individuals recognise how important it is to have people they trust and from whom they can seek support and advice within the disaster management sector

Individuals within the sector use exercises and events as an opportunity to shadow and mentor others

- Individuals work with others from different jurisdictions with similar roles who have been deployed to support them during events, and take the opportunity to learn from each other
- Individuals use field exercises to teach additional personnel how to perform roles they might need to fill during an event

Individuals within the sector share their knowledge and experience with others

- Disaster management officers from local governments across Queensland participate in the Disaster Management Officer's Network, share their experiences and learnings with their colleagues, and offer each other assistance when questions are raised
- Individuals enter into mentorship agreements with others in the disaster management sector, and dedicate time to supporting their growth and professional development

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