

THIRD SECTOR STRATEGIC PARTNER PROGRAMME

VALUES

Strategic Partners, including the Department of Health, will work together and in doing so demonstrate and adhere to the following set of values covering **collaboration, respect, transparency** and **accessibility**:

COLLABORATION

Each partner will:

- Consent to work collaboratively, whilst appreciating each other's independence
- Work to inform each other and the DH, where appropriate, and unlock each other's potential
- Understand and accept each other's priorities
- Reach agreement about work within jointly agreed priorities
- Agree to keep it real by doing a small number of things well
- Recognise each other's dates and operate to dates agreed collectively, giving notice should any date prove problematic
- Agree to keep focussed on practical action and avoid vague terms, jargon, etc

RESPECT

Each partner will:

- Recognise and uphold the Compact principles and values
- Value and respect each other's networks and not undermine the DH and other Strategic Partners
- Build trust across the partnership
- Observe equality and human rights when operating
- Establish a mature and honest relationship
- Acknowledge and respect each others:
 - timescales
 - capacity and constraints
 - diverse perspectives

TRANSPARENCY

Each partner will:

- Work transparently with one another and the DH
- Be accountable to each other and the DH
- Provide access to work plans and planned actions on a regular basis
- Develop a mechanism for sharing information appropriately

ACCESSIBILITY

Each partner will:

- Ensure that access requirements are always addressed
- Develop systematic practices and policies to enable access and inclusion

