

SSR Research Capability Development Service

Aim

To provide research advisory service that is grounded and relevant to research practice in SSAs and in government, with the aim of building research capability of social work practitioners and public service officers who engage in social service research.

Scope of Service

The scope of work includes advisory service or technical assistance in the following areas:

To create conducive environment to grow research

- Facilitate the development of a research unit or research team within the agency
- Facilitate the development of agency's research agenda, e.g. prioritise key research areas
- Provides supervision to research staff and social work practitioners on identified research projects

To create knowledge to inform practice and policy

Provide research advisory service from the conceptualisation of research problem and the development of research proposal to data collection and analysis of research projects, e.g.:

- Needs assessment
- Programme design
- Programme pilot and implementation
- Programme monitoring and evaluation
- Programme implementation to scale
- Research of topical interest

To share and adopt findings

- Facilitate the dissemination of findings within and outside of the agency
- Provide consultation on the translation of findings into practice

Target Participants

The SSR Research Capability Development Service welcomes the following:

- SSAs seeking to develop general research capabilities of their research staff or key social work practitioners with a research portfolio
- SSAs seeking to develop an in-house research unit or research team
- Research staff and/ or social work practitioners from SSAs working on a specific research project that requires research advisory service
- Public service officers from ministries or government agencies working on a specific research project that requires research advisory service

Format

The SSR Research Capability Development Service is a fee-charging service that can be engaged on a retainer basis. Our research staff will provide research advisory to the agency on an agreed scope of service on a regular basis over a period of time. The scope, deliverables and duration of service will be outlined in a consulting agreement between SSR and the agency.