

***Manitoba Women's Advisory Council
Appointed by Order in Council***

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Barbara Bowes, Narol

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Mandate

The Manitoba Women's Advisory Council (the Council), established under section (2) of *The Manitoba Women's Advisory Council Act*, works within the Manitoba Status of Women Division to represent the issues and concerns of Manitoba women to the Minister responsible for the Status of Women. The Council focuses on issues that have a social, health, legal or economic impact on the lives of women and their families.

Authority:

The Manitoba Women's Advisory Council Act

Responsibilities

The Council helps to identify the needs and concerns of Manitoba women; raise awareness of issues affecting women; partner with community organizations and other government departments to promote gender equality; and bring the concerns and aspirations of women to the provincial government and ensure they are integrated into government programs, policies and legislation.

Membership

The council shall consist of the Chairperson and at least eight (8) but no more than 18 other members, all of whom shall be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

Length of terms

A member of the council is to hold office for a term which may not exceed two (2) years, while the chairperson is appointed to a term of three (3) years. Members continue to hold office until a successor is appointed. A member whose term of office expires may be re-appointed, but may not hold office for more than four (4) consecutive years. A chairperson whose term of office expires may be reappointed for one further term as chair.

Desirable expertise

Interest and relevant knowledge in women's issues; ability to network with women and organizations in her region; members must reflect the cultural diversity of Manitoba women and come from rural, urban and northern communities.

Time commitment

- Attend six day-long meetings per calendar year, which are held on Saturdays;
- Respond to periodic communication from chairperson and staff in between meetings;
- Attend periodic meetings and events in home community;
- Chairperson commits to additional meetings and time in the office approximately once per week.

Meetings

Frequency: Six meetings per year.

Location: Meetings are held at the Manitoba Status of Women office at 409-401 York Avenue. One meeting per calendar year may take place outside of Winnipeg.

Remuneration

Chair: \$152.00 for full day; \$87.00 for half day

Members: \$87.00 for full day; \$50.00 for half day