The Indigenous Evaluation Committee’s inaugural meeting was held in Canberra on 6 July 2018.

Key discussions

- The Committee reviewed the Committee’s Terms of Reference, Operations and Principles.
- Information and Evaluation Branch provided the Committee with an overview of the Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS) and the IAS Evaluation Framework.
- The Committee reviewed the draft 2018-19 Annual Evaluation Work Plan.
- The Committee noted the status of the current evaluations:
  - Mental Health First Aid Training;
  - Strengthening the System Effectiveness of Early Childhood Investments.
- The Committee discussed the Community Development Programme Evaluation.

Key message

- The Committee highlighted the importance of ensuring Indigenous voices are heard in evaluations.

Other business

- The Committee proposed that the Office of Development Effectiveness (ODE), Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, present at a future meeting on the role and functions of the ODE’s Independent Evaluation Committee.

Next meeting

- The Committee’s next meeting will be held in Canberra on 17 August 2018.

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