

What can you do?

Mapping your governance history

Your governance history	What do you remember or what have you heard?
What do you remember or what have you heard about how your governance was 25 years ago, when your parents or grandparents were just kids? Describe how you think your past governance worked. Be specific.	
What was your group, society, community or organisation like at that time? Who belonged to it?	
Were there disputes about membership and leadership back then? If so, how were they resolved?	
Who made the main decisions about your governance then?	
What were your leaders like? How were they chosen? How did they do their job?	
How were young leaders developed?	
What do you think were the main strengths and achievements of your governance 25 years ago?	
Which four things (at least) from your organisation's past governance do you value and would you like to retain or strengthen in your current and future governance arrangements?	
What were the biggest challenges and barriers to your governance working well in the past?	
Thinking about these things from your past governance, what are the main lessons that can help you develop the kind of governance arrangements that you want today and for your future?	

Your present governance story	What do you think?
<p>How would you describe the governance of your group, society, community or organisation today?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • effective • legitimate • fair • accountable • insular • inclusive • informed by your cultural values and rules. 	
<p>What is your group, society, community or organisation like now? Who belongs to it?</p>	
<p>Has your group, society, community or organisation changed much in the last 25 years?</p>	
<p>Who makes the main decisions about your governance today?</p>	
<p>What do you think are the most important positive changes that have taken place in your governance over the past 25 years?</p>	
<p>What do you think are the most important negative changes that have taken place in your governance over the past 25 years?</p>	
<p>When you measure the positive and negative changes that have occurred, would you say that your governance today has moved backwards or forwards? Is it stronger or weaker? Why?</p>	
<p>What are the biggest challenges and barriers to your governance working well today?</p>	
<p>What do you think are the main strengths and achievements of your governance today?</p>	

Your future governance	What do you think?
<p>When you imagine your governance 25 years from now—when your kids have grown up and have their own children—what are your hopes and dreams for it?</p>	
<p>Which four things (at least) do you hope will be different about your governance in 25 years—for example, the way your leaders operate, the way your group makes decisions, your rules and codes of behaviour, your legitimacy, and your accountability to your members and the non-Indigenous world around them?</p>	
<p>What are your fears about your future governance?</p>	
<p>Which four things (at least) do you hope will be different about your society, group, community or organisation in 25 years—for example, in the way your people will live and work together and with the non-Indigenous world?</p>	
<p>What do you think will be the main barriers or challenges affecting your governance in the next five to 10 years?</p>	