

NEYM Forms of Service Chart: A framework for service together

Form	Exists to	Lifespan	Membership	Grounding Documents	Accountable to
YM Standing Committee	Carry out a long term, recurring charge on behalf of the Yearly Meeting	Longer term, with review at least every 3 years; staggered terms of service for individuals	Nominated by Nominating Committee. Approved by Yearly Meeting	PPC (Purposes, Procedure and Composition) approved by Sessions. A communications plan if relevant	Yearly Meeting (Sessions and/or Permanent Board)
Resource Group	Serve as a resource to local and quarterly meetings regarding a particular concern or focus; provides expertise, guidance, accompaniment as called upon; may also track and periodically report on trends/areas of need	Variable, ongoing check-ins on whether the work is still needed in this form, or adjustments needed	Nominated by Nominating Committee, in consultation with relevant partners. Approved by PB	A PPC approved by the Permanent Board, on RG template. A communications plan if relevant	Permanent Board, updates to Yearly Meeting Sessions as appropriate
Working Group	Do a short-term discrete project or conduct research, write a specific report or proposal for awareness and/or action	Generally less than 2 years; laid down consistent with specific charge	Nominated by PB Clerk and Nominating Clerk, in active consultation. Approved by PB	PB approved PPC, on WG template. A communications plan if relevant	Permanent Board
Advisory Group	Provide advice, consultation, resources, and policy recommendations (as called upon) to the Yearly Meeting Secretary or other Friends serving in leadership roles	Longer term, with regular check-ins about availability to serve in this “called upon as needed” capacity	Appointed by Yearly Meeting Secretary and Nominating Clerk in active consultation	Advisory group PPC approved by Permanent Board, on Advisory Group template	Yearly Meeting Secretary (or Nominating Clerk, as needed)