

MMC Faith Equity Capacity Building Programme (Cohort 2026)

What the programme offers

Selected organisations will receive a **bespoke package of support**, including:

- **Specialist training** delivered by experts on:
 - Muslim mental health and identity
 - Islamophobia and culturally responsive practice
 - Data, research methodologies, and social impact reporting
- **Partnership and community engagement support**, including:
 - Guidance on engaging local Muslim communities, mosques, and grassroots organisations
 - Identifying gaps in access, outreach, and service provision
 - Strengthening trust, representation, and inclusive practice
- **Practice development and service improvement**, including:
 - Support to design and implement a small pilot or service improvement initiative
 - Recommendations tailored to your organisation and local context
- **Access to the MMC network**, connecting you with:
 - Practitioners, researchers, and community organisations
 - Shared learning, insight, and peer support
- **Sector visibility and recognition**, including:
 - Opportunity to be featured in MMC's **end-of-year impact report**
 - Showcasing your organisation as part of emerging best practice in **faith-equitable mental health care**

Who should apply

We are inviting applications from mental health services that:

- Are working with diverse or underserved communities
- Want to improve engagement with Muslim communities
- Are committed to developing **faith-sensitive, culturally competent approaches**
- Are open to collaboration, learning, and applying change within their services

Programme Details

- Duration: **6 months (2026)**
- Format: Online training, workshops, and supported partnership work
- Cohort size: **3 organisations** will be selected

How to apply

Expression of Interest (EOI) – Application Requirements

Interested organisations are invited to submit a **short expression of interest (max. 500 words)** covering:

- **Organisation & context** - Overview of your service, the communities you work with, and your local area
- **Previous experience** - Any prior training or work related to **faith and cultural competency**
- **Strategic commitment** - How your organisation is currently prioritising **equitable models of care, including faith equity**
- **Local insight** - Your understanding of **local Muslim community demographics and needs**
- **Organisational priorities** - What your organisation is seeking to achieve through this programme and how this aligns with your wider **equity, inclusion, and service development goals**

Optional (to strengthen your application):

- Key challenges your organisation is currently facing in this area
- Initial ideas for a **pilot or service improvement**

Submission Details

Deadline: Wednesday 29 April 2026

Submit to: info@muslimmindcollaborative.co.uk and sabah.gilani@bcbn.org.uk

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