

GET VERIFIED AGAINST THE CHS

Measure your organisation's performance and become part of a collective effort to make aid more accountable.

For organisations committed to making aid work better for crisis-affected people, standards to improve the quality and accountability of programmes matter. While many tools exist, the Core Humanitarian Standard (CHS) is the sector-wide standard for ensuring principled and people-centred aid.

We run the Verification Scheme that allows humanitarian and development organisations to measure their application of the CHS. The CHS Alliance Verification Scheme offers three different options for verification, designed to meet the

needs of different types of aid organisations who are at different stages of their journey to meet the CHS Nine Commitments.

A **CHS self-assessment** is available to all organisations. It is conducted internally using tools administered by the CHS Alliance, who also validates the process completed by the organisations (for CHS Alliance members only).

Independent verification and **certification** options are conducted by an accredited Conformity Assessment Body – currently this service is offered by the Humanitarian Quality and Accountability Initiative (HQAI).



CHS SELF-ASSESSMENT

A learning exercise. It is completed internally, incorporating the views of crisis-affected people, staff and partners, and helps an organisation gain an understanding of their capacity and performance against the CHS.



CHS INDEPENDENT VERIFICATION

Provides organisations with an independent, external quality assurance assessment of capacity and performance against the CHS.



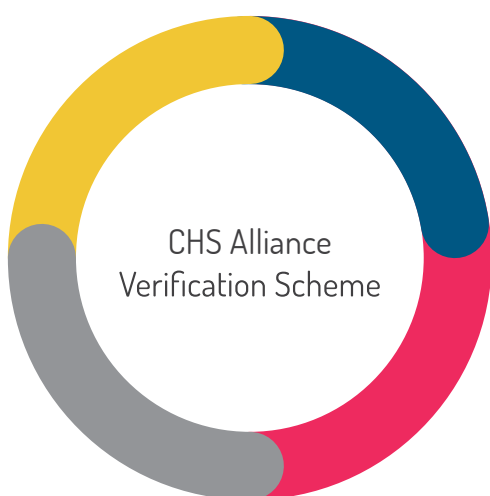
CHS CERTIFICATION

Provides organisations with an independent, external quality assurance assessment and, depending on the results of this assessment, certification of compliance against the CHS.

FIVE REASONS TO GET VERIFIED

- ✓ **Measure how well you are meeting your commitments to people affected by crisis.** Evaluating your performance through the CHS verification scheme helps you understand the extent to which you are meeting the Nine Commitments made to people and communities affected by crisis.
- ✓ **Gain external recognition from partners and donors.** An increasing number of donors (governments and NGO funding bodies) require adherence to the CHS, with some requiring CHS Verification to illustrate this.
- ✓ **Tailor your own evidence-based improvement plan.** See how well you score against objective quality and accountability measures, so you can invest in the right changes and continue to make improvements.
- ✓ **Demonstrate your commitment.** By completing any verification against the CHS you show all stakeholders the depth of your commitment to improving the quality and accountability of aid. Going beyond, you can demonstrate your performance through an Independent Verification, and even compliance with the standard through a rigorous certification Process.
- ✓ **Compare your results to sector averages.** Find out how you are doing compared to similar organisations and learn from your peers.

FOUR SOURCES OF INFORMATION COMMON TO ALL VERIFICATION OPTIONS



- ✓ **Organisational policies and guidance**
- ✓ **Staff feedback**
- ✓ **Feedback from the people and communities affected by crisis**
- ✓ **Feedback from partner organisations**

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