**UNIT 14**

**WORKING WITH GROUPS**

**UNIT 14: LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

* To outline some basic group work skills
* To introduce some basic concepts of group dynamics and group process.
* To explore some key ideas about community engagement

**UNIT 14: SUMMARY OUTLINE**

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| **Exercise number** | **Exercise** | **Handouts** |
| **14.1** | Recap and introduction to Unit 14 |  |
| **14.2** | Task and process  |   |
| **14.3** | Role play exercise – task and process  | H14.3A: Group work tasks H14.3B: Role paly- task and process  |
| **14.4** | Assessing community group strengths  | H14.4A: Community strengths framework  |
| **14.5** | Community research project update |  |
| **14.6** | Recap and summary  | Learning Log 14 |

**UNIT 14: ADDITIONAL TUTOR SUMMARY NOTES**

**EXERCISE 14.1: RECAP AND INTRODUCTION TO UNIT 14**

The aim of this exercise is to help participants reflect on the previous unit and outline what will be covered in today’s session. It is useful to remind people of how this group has developed and how it has worked over the duration of the Course.

**EXERCISE 14.2: TASK AND PROCESS**

The aim of this exercise is to introduce the distinction between task and process

in a group by using course members’ own experience.

**EXERCISE 14.3: ROLE PLAY EXERCISE – TASK AND PROCESS**

This exercise gives course members a chance to be a fictional group and play out a scenario. It can be good fun, but it can also get quite heated if people really get into it! It’s important to give participants time to come out of role at the end. The observer’s role is also important, and you should take sufficient time to thoroughly brief them before the role play takes place. Give out H14.3A and H14.3B.

**EXERCISE 14.4: ASSESSING COMMUNITY GROUP STRENGTHS**

The aim of this exercise is to introduce participants to a framework forcommunity engagement which can act as a useful reference point for reviewing

how well your group is doing. Give participants H14.4A.

**EXERCISE 14.5: COMMUNITY RESEARCH PROJECT – UPDATE**

This exercise will give the research groups their last chance to share learningand update each other on progress with their projects.

**EXERCISE 14.6: RECAP AND SUMMARY**

This exercise gives everyone a chance to reflect on the learning today. You may also want to take some time to speak to individuals about the final assignment requirements. Give out Learning Log 14.