

Appendix A: Chronological Review of CCB Definitions

Date	Author/source	Focal area	Key definitional indicators	Key features and characteristics
1994	Eng & Parker	Community competence	A community can work collectively to solve problems and develop skills and capabilities.	Emphasis on empowerment.
1996	Aspen Institute	Community problems and opportunities	The combined influence of a community's commitment, resources and skills that can be deployed to build community strengths and address community problems and opportunities.	Emphasis on community needs. A shared community awareness of problems, opportunities and solutions.
1999	Jackson	Community health	CCB is a holistic representation of capabilities (those with which the community is endowed and those to which the community has access), plus the facilitators and barriers to realisation of those capabilities in the broader social environment.	One of the first uses of the term in literature — drawn from earlier research on social capital and community development. Building community capability. Recognition of community knowledge and skills. Recognition of the importance of knowledge and skills residing outside the community. Emphasis of barriers and impediments to the development of community capacity.
2000	Cavaye	Government services	Community capacity consists of networks, organisations, attitudes, leadership and skills that allow communities to manage change and sustain community-led development.	Creating a vehicle for local people to express and act on existing concerns. Personal relationships between government agents (public servants) and community members. New roles and understandings of the relationships between government and community.

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2000	Duncan & Thomas	Community development	CCB places greater emphasis on the community itself (rather than professionals or government) identifying its needs and defining desired outcomes — that is, on the community initiating action rather than being mobilised to act.	Strong emphasis on community power and action. A rebalance of the role of external agencies and government.
2001	Healy	Non-profit organisations	Community capacity refers to the capabilities that exist within communities and within the networks between individuals, communities and institutions or civil society that strengthen individual and community capacity to define their own values and priorities and capacity to act on these.	Identification of CCB dimensions including financial capacity, physical resources and assets, human resources, and social resources. Recognition of social resources (networks) and their critical importance to disadvantaged communities.
2001	Littlejohns & Thompson	Health	The degree to which a community can develop, implement and sustain action that will allow it to exert greater control over its physical, social, economic and cultural environments.	Holistic approach to the physical, social, economic and cultural environments of a community. Emphasis on community control and sustainability.
2001	Howe & Cleary	Health	The ability of individuals, organisations and communities to manage their own affairs and to work collectively to foster and sustain positive change.	Strong emphasis on change management. Collaboration between communities and external organisations.
2002	Hounslow	Overall community development	While the main purpose of CCB is to build a community's capacity to achieve a specific outcome, many practitioners and analysts argue that CCB is a desirable end in itself as it contributes to the creation and maintenance of active citizenship and social trust.	A broad approach removed for specific outcomes. Build on values and trust.
2002	Matarasso	Cultural capacity building	Cultural capacity building focuses on strengthening organisational infrastructure to enable artistic growth. Its goal is to stimulate new practices, policies and approaches through which communities can dynamically adapt to the ever-changing conditions of producing, presenting and preserving arts and culture.	A new focus on the role of the arts and culture in CCB.

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