



# NCTC Policy Assessment Tool

Can NCTC be an effective change-agent on this issue?  
Provide the policy issue a score (1-5) for each assessment area; 1 being the lowest & 5 being the highest.

Mission Driven

Is it consistent with our mission? Will this policy issue improve the field and build the capacity of our affiliates to deliver services? Does this policy issue impact a majority of our constituents?

Competitive Advantage

Does this issue reinforce or establish competitive advantage? Are we expected to weigh-in and by whom? Is our reputation at risk or is there an opportunity to improve our reputation?

Organization Capacity

Do we have adequate staff support, experience, and funding capacity?

Policy Issue:  
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Strategic Partners

Does this issue require or create cooperation with strategic partners? Do we have strategic partners who can fill the gap where staff capacity is limited? Does the partner represent an overlapping constituency?

Past/Present Policy Priorities

Is this issue consistent with our past and/or current policy priorities? What was the result of our past support? Would it impede future priorities?

Engage New Partners

Does this issue engage new members or strategic partners?

**Outlier**  
(Scores Less Than 20)

**Strategic Issue**  
(Scores 20-28)

**NCTC Core Issue**  
(Scores 28-35)