



## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

### Call for Youth and People With Lived Experience Advisors

Are you interested in joining Being's first Youth Advisory Group or People with Lived Experience Group? Here's what you need to know before you apply.

Please feel free to submit additional questions to [info@being-initiative.org](mailto:info@being-initiative.org).

#### 1. Why are you looking for advisors from Youth-led or People With Lived Experience led groups and networks?

We're looking for diverse organizational experiences to represent the two advisory groups and help us capture a broad view of the voices and needs of young people and People With Lived Experience in one or more of the 13 priority countries. Representatives from mental health-related or focused groups or networks spanning policy, advocacy, the arts, youth mental health service delivery, students and other relevant groups are encouraged to apply.

#### 2. How many advisory groups are you looking to recruit?

We are seeking to recruit two distinct advisory groups for Being – one to represent the voices and needs of young people and one to represent the voices and needs of People With Lived Experience.

#### 3. Who can apply for the Youth Advisory Group?

For the Youth Advisory Group Call, we will consider applications from representatives of Youth-led groups or networks where the majority of their leadership is aged 18 to 30.

#### 4. Who can apply for the People With Lived Experience Advisory Group?

For the People With Lived Experience Advisory Group Call, we will consider applications from representatives of People With Lived Experience-led groups or networks where the majority of their leadership has lived experience of mental health, be it a diagnosis or condition.

**5. How many advisors from my organization or network can apply for consideration?**

Once you're ready to submit your online application for the Youth Advisory Group or the People With Lived Experience Advisory Group, you'll need to submit two advisors for consideration. **Please note that appointed advisors must have an intermediate level of spoken and written English language skills and must also be 18 years of age or older.**

**6. Can my organization apply if it's outside of the 13 priority countries?**

We're prioritizing groups and networks representing a diversity of young people and PWLE in one or more of the 13 priority countries, but we will consider applications from global organizations focusing on multiple countries and based elsewhere.

**7. Will participation and involvement in the advisory groups be remote?**

All participation and involvement in the advisory groups will be remote. Selected Advisors can expect to remotely attend one 2-hour quarterly meeting.

**8. Can I apply if I'm self-employed or not part of an organization or network focused on mental health and wellbeing?**

We're seeking representatives from mental health-related or focused groups or networks with organizational expertise in representing young people and People With Lived Experience voices and needs in one or more of the 13 priority countries.

**9. Will I be compensated for any participation and involvement in the advisory groups?**

Yes. Advisors will be compensated for their contributions to Being.

**10. How many hours can we expect to commit if selected for an advisory group?**

Each advisor can expect to commit a maximum of 10–15 hours of time per year to Being.

**11. I've applied! When will I hear back from Being?**

All those who have applied to join the Youth or People With Live Experience Advisory Groups can expect to hear back on the status of their application in January 2023.