



## Who is FNNBOA?

- Incorporated as not-for-profit organization in 2003.
- Represents individuals who provide residential, commercial and institutional construction and renovation technical services (i.e., plan reviews, inspections, recommending repairs, technical advocacy and advisory role) for buildings located in First Nation/Aboriginal communities.
- Develops programs and policies for capacity development of its members.
- Advocate housing policies related to the adoption and enforcement of building codes and better building and renovation practices.
- Works in partnership with government, non-government agencies and stakeholders to ensure training and information transfer to First Nation builders, renovators and other technical service providers.

## Role of FNBO

- Assess plans and specs design for all types of buildings and structures
- Inspect construction for structural integrity, fire safety, health and accessibility
- Undertake conditional assessments of existing buildings and recommend appropriate repairs
- Advocate use of better building techniques and energy efficiency
- Provide advice on the development of housing policies that incorporate codes and standards

Some FNBO also:

- Provide Mould assessments
- Conduct Indoor Air Quality Investigations
- Report on Wood Burning Appliance Installations
- Conduct environmental assessments
- Report on Private Sewage Disposal installations
- Conduct Energuide evaluations

## Advocacy

- Mandatory Inspection of new and renovated homes by certified individuals
- First Nations communities adopt band by laws to mandate homes are built to code and standards
- Collaboration with others to address issues such as mould and poor housing construction
- Promotes training programs to improve housing through capacity development of contractors, housing staff and occupants
- Promotes courses like Better Builder Series that focuses on healthy housing through the use of better building practices
- Promotes basic home maintenance ensures occupant is aware of their responsibility
- Promotes Indoor Air Quality understanding of building science principles to Chief and Council, Administration, Contractors/maintenance staff, Occupant



## Accomplishments

- Established Independent Certification Council
- Established National Occupational Standards and Standards of Practice
- Produced newsletters and website
- Partnerships with government agencies and stakeholders
- Represented on National Research Council committees on building codes
- Being consulted on national housing issues
- Co-chairs participated in national housing committee with Prime Minister and other senior officials and follow up round table meetings on housing.

## Certification

- FNNBOA established a certification council.
- The council is an independent body responsible for certification.
- Three levels of certification:
  - Internship
  - Level 1 – Building Officer
  - Level 2 – Building Officer
  - Building Resource Officer

