

## Which program is right for you?

Use this questionnaire to help you determine the most appropriate program given your existing director experience and future goals.

### Question #1

Which statement best describes your ...  
**current needs and aspirations?**

- A.** I need basic knowledge of a director's responsibilities.
- B.** I have some knowledge of directors' duties and am considering a director role but want to ensure I am ready for it.
- C.** I need a comprehensive understanding of directors' duties and how to be effective in the role.
- D.** I want to move into a non-executive director role.
- E.** I have already completed the CDC but need to update my knowledge.
- F.** I want to improve my effectiveness as a director.

### Question #2

Which statement best describes your ...  
**level of director experience?**

- A.** I am not on a board but want to know what directors do.
- B.** I am not a director but my work brings me into contact with boards and directors.
- C.** I report to a board of a large organisation.
- D.** I am an executive director / CEO.
- E.** I am a director but have limited experience.
- F.** I have a number of years of director experience.

### Question #3

Which statement best describes your ...  
**needs in understanding how a board can improve a company's financial performance?**

- A.** I feel inadequate in dealing with the financial issues and need to focus on the basics.
- B.** I can read the figures but have difficulty in making the connection from the statements to financial judgements.
- C.** I need to know more about indicators of performance so I am aware of issues such as solvency.
- D.** I can read the financial statements, but need to know how directors use them to make sound decisions.
- E.** I would like to extend my strategic financial skills so I can better drive organisational performance.
- F.** I have a lot of experience, but I want to test my skills in the boardroom.

#### Answers

**Mostly A:** Consider Foundations of Directorship.

**Mostly B:** Consider Foundations of Directorship and / or e-Learning.

**Mostly C:** Consider the Company Directors Course (CDC).

**Mostly D:** Consider the Company Directors Course (CDC) or if you have completed this, In-Focus. The International Company Directors Course (ICDC) may be appropriate.

#### Question #4

Which statement best describes your ...  
**understanding of governance issues?**

- A.** My only knowledge of directors' duties and liabilities is what I hear others talk about.
- B.** I have limited knowledge, gained through reading.
- C.** I have a broad general knowledge and wonder if this is enough.
- D.** I have some knowledge but it requires comprehensive updating.
- E.** I know about broad governance issues, but need a deeper understanding of specifics.
- F.** I know my duties having completed the CDC but I'd like to gain a better appreciation of application in the boardroom.

#### Question #5

Which statement best describes ...  
**how comfortable you are with the board's role in risk management?**

- A.** I feel anxious that I don't know what I need to know.
- B.** I find it confusing and hope the management team have it under control.
- C.** I understand the operational side of risk management, but am not sure what the board does.
- D.** I understand the process and structure but, like most directors, I struggle with the complexity.
- E.** I want to know how a board can better balance its focus on risk.
- F.** I am comfortable I know about risk but would benefit from knowledge about dealing with crises.

#### Question #6

Which statement best describes your ...  
**grasp of strategy?**

- A.** I need to know how strategy is developed and who is responsible for what.
- B.** I've done a bit of work in strategy but need to know this from a director's perspective.
- C.** I have developed strategy but need to better understand the board's responsibilities.
- D.** I need to know more about how a board ensures successful implementation of strategy.
- E.** I want to sharpen my, and the board's, performance.
- F.** I want to develop a deeper understanding of strategic thinking.

**Mostly E:** Consider In-Focus and / or the Company Directors Course Update. Mastering the Boardroom may also be appropriate.

**Mostly F:** If you have completed the Company Directors Course (CDC) consider Mastering the Boardroom.