



## HOW GRAN WORKS

GRAN's national organizational structure consists of our Steering Committee, Working Groups, and Leadership Team.

### **Steering Committee:**

The Steering Committee is our major decision-making body and includes our Regional Leaders, Co-Chairs of Working Groups and members of the Leadership Team.

### **Regional Leaders:**

The Regional Leaders keep in touch with and act as the 'go to' advocacy resource for GRAN groups and participants in cities and regions across the country. They represent their regions on the Steering Committee.

### **Working Groups:**

Our three national working groups research specific issues, identify advocacy goals, and work with other similarly-oriented civil society organizations. These working groups are:

- **Access to Medicines** (Marilyn Coolen and Angela Quinlan, Co-Chairs)
- **Education** (Ann Frost and Valerie Wright, Co-Chairs)
- **Ending Violence Against Women** (Janet Siddall and Colleen Stefanich, Co-Chairs)

**The Hill Team** is our fourth working group and draws its members from the Ottawa region. Members tackle the on-going work of meeting with MPs and policy-makers on the Hill. They also represent GRAN at meetings with Ottawa-based civil society organizations. Bonnie Johnson chairs the Hill Team.

### **Leadership Team:**

GRAN's national Co-Chairs head up the Leadership Team and are responsible for much of GRAN's day-to-day work and forward planning. The Leadership Team keeps information flowing between the Working Groups and the Steering Committee.

The current GRAN National Co-Chairs are **Hilary Elliott** and **Heather Fraser**.

### **Communications:**

GRAN communicates with participants across the country through the regional representatives on our monthly Steering Committee calls, by means of our regular newsletter, the *GRAN Update*, through our website, and via direct emails that highlight GRAN issues and upcoming advocacy actions.