

Ways to Incorporate a Business

There are several options for incorporating a business, each with its own advantages and disadvantages. Some common options include:

1. **Sole proprietorship:** This is the simplest and most common form of business ownership. As a sole proprietor, you own and operate the business yourself and are personally responsible for all debts and liabilities.
2. **Partnership:** A partnership is a business owned by two or more individuals. Partnerships can be either general partnerships, in which all partners are equally responsible for the business, or limited partnerships, in which some partners have limited liability.
3. **Corporation:** A corporation is a legal entity that is separate and distinct from its owners. Corporations can be either for-profit or non-profit and can be owned by a single person or a group of shareholders.
4. **Limited liability company (LLC):** An LLC is a hybrid business structure that combines the liability protection of a corporation with the tax benefits of a partnership or sole proprietorship. This is how ASKTRA's parent ReferralSafe is organized.

It's important to carefully consider the benefits and drawbacks of each option before deciding on the best structure for your business. It is also helpful to consult with a lawyer or accountant to determine the best course of action.

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