

MISSION STATEMENT VFP/APSI

OUR VISION

- Academic nurses are integral to the Swiss health care system, with nursing science being an established scientific discipline.

OUR MISSION

- We advocate, promote and advance nursing science and continuously improve evidence-based nursing practice to provide the best possible care to patients, families, and society.

OUR IDENTITY

- We are the national network for nursing science and the collaborative platform for academic societies, academic nurses and other key stakeholders in nursing science.
- We advocate the interests and concerns of academic nurse professionals and nursing science towards politics, administration, national and international networks, stakeholders and society.
- We are organised in specialised academic societies and commissions that elaborate the content-related work and ensure professional exchange.

OUR TASKS

- We foster nursing science and academic roles in research, practice, management, education and politics.
- We strengthen the dissemination and implementation of nursing science and scientific knowledge.
- We adopt and nurture an evidence-based nursing practice and strengthen patient involvement.
- We anchor nursing science in education, practice, health politics and society.
- We advocate for nursing science and scientists to be integral to our health system.
- We connect and support nursing students, academics and nursing scientists in their careers.
- We improve public and service user involvement to optimise evidence-based care.

OUR DUTIES

- We develop position statements on nursing science, practice, education and health policy.
- We enable knowledge transfer through communication, events and education.
- We strengthen approaches from theory and evidence into practice and vice versa by developing and applying binding guidelines, standards, rules and theories.
- We collaborate in national, international, discipline-specific and trans-professional projects, working groups, committees, and associations to generate, disseminate and implement nursing and health-related knowledge.
- We strengthen nursing science careers through counselling, mentoring and role development for nursing academics.

OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- We cultivate collaborative partnerships based on trust, transparency, liability, and shared decision-making.
- We promote a discursive, creative, open-minded atmosphere to encourage innovative approaches.
- We meet as equals and allow for the free expression of opinions.
- We work in interdisciplinary ways; we are inter- and trans-professionally oriented with all health professionals and relevant stakeholders.
- We base our actions and decisions on evidence, scientific principles, and the benefit of patients, their families, and society.
- We are committed to scientific and personal integrity.
- We act in coherence with our vision, mission and resources.