



Medical Mission Network Code of Conduct

Definition:

Medical Mission Network (MMN) is a private, international association. The association is made up of doctors and nurses and other health sector workers and is also open to all other professions that might help in achieving its aims.

The nature and finality of MMN:

MMN provides assistance to populations in distress, to victims of natural or man-made disasters, irrespective of race, gender, religion, creed, or political convictions.

MMN observes neutrality and impartiality in the name of universal medical ethics and the basic human right to medical assistance and claims full and unhindered freedom in the exercise of its functions.

Our Principles

All members (individual or associated) of MMN, agree to honor the following principles:

1. MMN's actions are guided by respect for every human person from the moment of conception until the moment of natural death, universal medical ethics and the principles of common good, solidarity, subsidiarity, responsibility and selfless generosity, as well as independence and impartiality.

2. MMN is „Pro-Life“.

3. Members (individual or associated) undertake to respect their professional code of ethics and maintain complete independence from all political, economic, or ideological powers or entities.
4. As volunteers, members (individual or associated) understand the risks and dangers of the missions they carry out and make no claim for themselves or their assigns for any form of compensation other than that which the association might be able to afford them.
5. MMN's actions are medical and humanitarian.
6. Each member (individual or associated) carries out his/her/its work with respect for the rules of medical ethics, in particular the duty to provide care without causing harm to individuals or groups.
7. Each member (individual or associated) respects patients' autonomy, patient confidentiality, and their right to informed consent.
8. We treat our patients with love and dignity, and with respect for their cultural and religious beliefs.
9. In accordance with these principles, MMN endeavors to provide sustainable and high-quality medical care to all patients.
10. Our decision to offer assistance in any country or crisis is based on an independent assessment of people's needs.
11. MMN offers assistance to people based on need and irrespective of race, religion, gender, or political affiliation.
12. MMN gives priority to those in the most serious and immediate need.
13. We strive to ensure that we have the power to freely evaluate medical needs, to access populations without restriction, and to directly control the aid we provide.
14. Our independence is facilitated by our policy to allow only a marginal portion of our funds to come from governments and intergovernmental

organizations.

15. MMN endeavors not to act as instrument of government internal or foreign policy.

16. MMN respects culture and custom.

17. MMN's decisions are not based on political, economic, or ideological interests, but rather within the framework of Christian social doctrine and the principles of common good, solidarity, subsidiarity, selfless generosity and sustainability.

18. Bearing witness: The principles of impartiality and neutrality are not synonymous with silence. When MMN witnesses acts contrary to the dignity of the human person, individual or groups, the organization may speak out publicly. We may seek to bring attention to extreme need and unacceptable suffering when access to lifesaving medical care is hindered, when medical facilities come under threat, when crises are neglected, or when the provision of aid is inadequate or abused.

19. Accountability: MMN is committed to regularly evaluating the effects of its activities. We assume the responsibility of accounting for our actions to our patients and donors.

20. Members and organizations associated with MMN are bound to live and uphold this Code of Conduct.

21. In the case of infringement, members and associated organizations may be expelled/separated/suspended from the Network and from the right to act under the denomination of Medical Mission Network (MMN).

If you wish to participate in a deployment of Medical Mission Network, you are required to sign here:

Signature of participant: _____