

# **Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice for Transport & Health Professionals**

The objectives of Transport & Health Professionals are to conduct their personal and professional lives and activities in an ethical manner. Honesty, justice and courtesy form moral philosophy which, associated with a mutual interest among people, constitute the foundation of ethics. Transport & Health Professionals should recognize such a standard, not in passive observance, but as a set of dynamic principles guiding their conduct and way of life. It is their duty to practice their profession according to this Code of Ethics.

As the keystone of professional conduct is integrity, Transport & Health Professionals will discharge their duties with fidelity to the public, their employers, clients, with fairness and impartiality to all. It is their duty to interest themselves in public welfare, and to be ready to apply their special knowledge for the benefit of mankind, the environment and society.

## **Creed**

The objectives of a Transport & Health Professional are:

1. To recognize and attempt to reconcile societal and individual human needs with responsibility for physical, natural, and cultural systems.
2. To promote and develop policies, plans, activities and projects that achieve complementary and mutual support between natural and man-made, and present and future elements of the physical, natural and cultural environments.

## **Ethics**

As a Transport & Health Professional, I will:

1. Be personally responsible for the validity of all data collected, analyses performed, or plans developed by me or under my direction. I will be responsible and ethical in my professional activities.
2. Encourage research, planning, design, management and review of activities in a scientifically and technically objective manner. I will incorporate the best principles of science for the mitigation of human and environmental harms and strive for improvements in health, quality of life and well-being.
3. Not condone misrepresentation of work I have performed or that was performed under my direction.
4. Examine all of my relationships or actions, which could be legitimately interpreted as a conflict of interest by clients, officials, the public or peers. In any instance where I have financial or personal interest in the activities with which they are directly or indirectly involved, I will make a full disclosure of that interest to my employer, client, or other affected parties.

5. Not engage in conduct involving dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation or discrimination.
6. Not accept fees wholly or partially contingent on the client's desired result where that desired result conflicts with my professional judgment.

## **Guidance for Practice as a Transport & Health Professional**

1. As a Transport & Health Professional I will:
2. Encourage the integration of health as a component of the transport and urban planning stages of project conceptualization.
3. Recognize that total infrastructure project management involves the consideration of all factors impacting human health including technical, economic, environment, and social, political and the synergy of their inter-relationship.
4. Incorporate the best principle of design, transport and urban planning when recommending measures to reduce potential human harm and enhance health, quality of life and well-being.
5. Conduct my analysis, planning, design and review my activities primarily in subject areas for which I am qualified and shall encourage and recognize that participation of other professionals in subject areas where I am less experienced. I shall utilize and participate in cross-disciplinary and multi-sector teams wherever practical to determine impacts, define and evaluate all reasonable alternatives to proposed actions, and assess short-term versus long-term productivity with and without the project or action.
6. Seek common, adequate, and sound technical grounds for communication with and respect for the contributions of other professionals in developing and reviewing policies, plans, activities and projects.
7. Determine that the policies, plans, activities or projects in which I am involved are consistent with all governing laws, ordinances, guidelines, plans and policies to the best of my knowledge and ability.
8. Encourage public participation at the earliest feasible time in an open and productive atmosphere.
9. Conduct my professional activities in a manner that ensures consideration of technically and economically feasible alternatives.

## **Encourage Development of the Profession**

As a Transport & Health Professional, I will:

1. Assist in maintaining the integrity and competence of my profession.
2. Encourage education and research and the development of useful technical information relating to the transport and health field.
3. Be prohibited from lobbying in the name of the International Professional Association for Transport & Health.
4. Advertise and present my services in a manner that avoids the use of material and methods that may bring discredit to the profession.

## **Mission**

The International Professional Association for Transport & Health (IPATH) is a platform for cross-disciplinary and multi-sector professionals working at the intersection of transport and health. The aim of PATH is to share information, exchange ideas, and foster collaboration to improve health, quality of life and well-being in communities by advocating for the integration of health in the urban and transport agendas.

## **Vision**

- To create an accepted professional discipline of transport and health
- To support and encourage research and best practices aimed at integrating health into the transport and urban planning and strategic decision-making processes
- To build a cohesive community of cross-disciplinary and multi-sector professionals

As a member of the IPATH Board of Directors, I agree on this 4 day of January 2022, to the terms and conditions outlined in the Code of Ethics.

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Print Name

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Signature

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Date