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# The Role of Nurses in Human Rights

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# Association of Nurses in AIDS Care

**Mission:** ANAC fosters the professional development of nurses and others involved in the delivery of health care for persons at risk for, living with, and/or affected by HIV and its comorbidities. ANAC promotes the health, welfare, and rights of people living with HIV around the world.

# Association of Nurses in AIDS Care

Core Ideology: Public policy must be grounded in patient advocacy, human rights, compassion, and social justice. We promote the inclusion of the nursing perspective in promoting the health, welfare, and rights of all individuals affected by HIV and its comorbidities.

## Two Fundamental Beliefs:

- Nurses can have an influential and powerful voice as public policy advocates.
- Nurses have expertise related to health care and human rights.

# Nurses and Advocacy

Advocacy: Seeing a need and finding a way to address it

Advocate: One that pleads, defends, or supports a cause or interest of another

Nurses: Provide 24-hour continuity of care and close surveillance

Are advocates for patients

Lead health promotion

Educate patients and the public on the prevention of illness and injury

# Nursing is Founded in Public Health Policy & Social Justice Advocacy

Health and Hospital Reform

Health and Hunger Reform in India

Women's rights and workforce equality

Sex workers rights

Big Data



# ANA Code of Ethics

## 2015 Year of Ethics

Revised Code released Jan 2015

Establishes ethical standards for the profession

Serves as a guide for nurses to use in ethical decision making

1. Respect for the inherent dignity, worth and uniqueness of every patient, unrestricted by social and economic status, personal attributes, or the nature of the health problem.
2. Commitment is to the patient, whether an individual, family, group or community.

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8. Collaborates with other health professionals and the public in promoting community, national, and international efforts to meet health needs.
9. The profession of Nursing as represented by associations is responsible for articulating nursing values, maintaining integrity of the profession and for shaping social policy.



# Global Human Rights Issues 2019

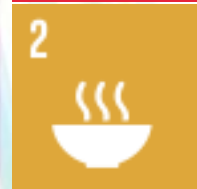
- HIV/AIDS – 35 million worldwide
  - Poverty
  - Racism
  - Gender Equality
  - Rights of Key Populations (MSM, PWID, Incarcerated, SW)
- TB- 1.8 million deaths/year: MDRTB ( incarcerated)
- Growing VH epidemics – 320 million worldwide
- Maternal & reproductive health
- Refuge & migrant health & rights- 258 million worldwide
- Climate change



# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Poverty



Hunger



Healthcare



Education



Gender Equality





# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

# GOALS

- Reduce global maternal mortality
- End preventable deaths of newborns and children under 5 years of age
- End the epidemics of AIDS, TB, malaria. Combat hepatitis, water-borne diseases and other communicable diseases
- Reduce premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through prevention and treatment and promote mental health and well-being
- Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health-care services



- Achieve universal health coverage, including financial risk protection, access to quality essential health-care services and medicines and vaccines for all



**SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT**

**GOALS**

End all forms of discrimination against all women and girls everywhere

Eliminate all forms of violence against all women

Eliminate all harmful practices, such as child and forced marriage and female genital mutilation

Undertake reforms to give women equal rights to economic resources, ownership and inheritance

Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights



Ensure women's full participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision making in political, economic and public life



# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

# GOALS

## **GOAL 13:** Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

13.1 Strengthen resilience and capacity to climate-related disasters in all countries

13.2 Integrate climate change measures into national policies and strategies

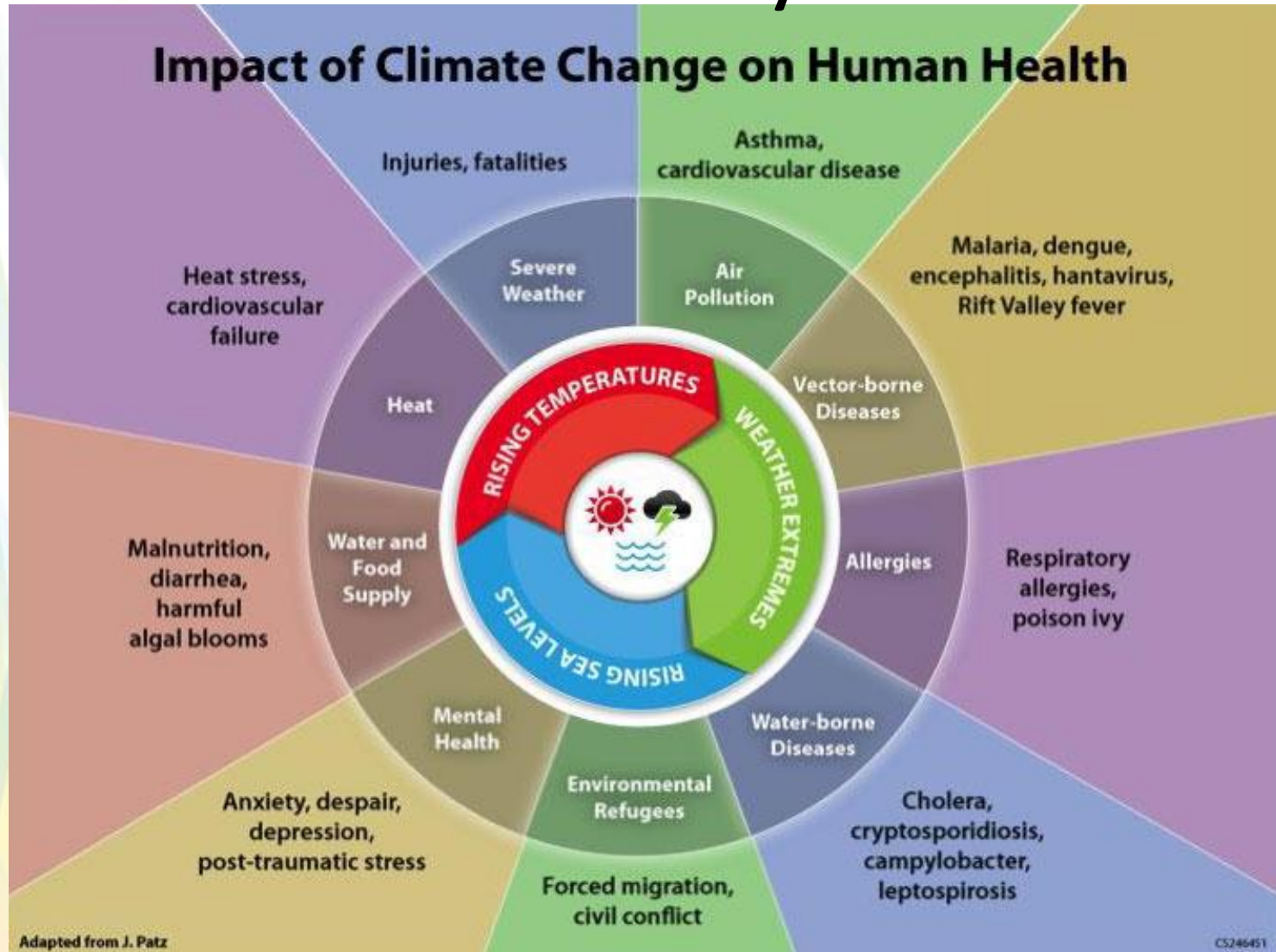
13.3 Improve education & capacity on climate change mitigation (ex-early warning)

13.A Implement and fully operationalize the Green Climate Fund.

13.B Raise capacity for effective climate change-planning and management in least developed countries and small island nations including focusing on women, youth and local and marginalized communities



# Global Health Policy Issues 2019



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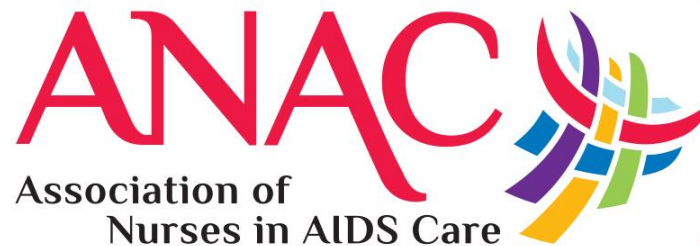


# Support a strong global nursing workforce

90-90-90\*

Ambitious targets require greater investments in nursing

JULY 2016



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**[nursesinaidscare.org/signthecall](http://nursesinaidscare.org/signthecall)**

\* 90-90-90 refers to UNAIDS HIV treatment goals to end the AIDS epidemic globally, released in 2014: By 2020, 90% of all people living with HIV (PLWH) will know their HIV status; 90% of all people with diagnosed HIV will receive sustained antiretroviral therapy (ART); and 90% of all people on ART will have viral suppression.

# Access. Equity. Rights.

Demand greater investments in **NURSING**



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## Access

Improving access to healthcare by removing political, legal and economic barriers to nurse-led care



## Equity

Building sustainable solutions by requiring equitable representation of nurses on policy, guidelines and other decision making bodies



## Rights

Demanding an end to HIV stigma, discrimination and unjust HIV criminalization

## Nurses:

Ensure patients' rights to equitable, accessible health care

Represent 80% of the global healthcare workforce

Provide care for underserved and vulnerable populations

Provide evidence-based person-centered HIV care

Provide care along the full HIV care continuum

Are central to achievement of ambitious HIV prevention, care and treatment targets



## We call for:

- Policy changes to support nurse-led care
- Greater investments in nursing
- Support for interprofessional collaboration
- Equity in decision making



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## **We recognize that**

- Nurse-led care is effective and evidence based.
- Health policies and legislation have not kept pace with the vital role of nurses.
- Ambitious targets require investments in the nursing workforce, nursing education and research.
- Nurses are under represented on decision making bodies, global HIV task forces, policy and guidelines committees.

## **Therefore we call for**

- Advancing nurse-led care through policies and legislation that support nurses' true role in HIV prevention, care and treatment.
- Resources, budget allocation and staffing structures that reflect the central role of nursing to HIV care and achievement of 90-90-90.
- Health systems that ensure strong interprofessional collaboration.
- Equitable representation of nurses on healthcare and HIV decision making bodies.

# Global Gag Rule (Mexico City policy)



# Nurses Roles in Human Rights & Advocacy: Change Agents

- Educate yourself
- Join a nursing organization
- Participate in coalitions
- Represent the nursing perspective
- Advocate for your patients
- Partner with PLWHA ( or other patient groups)
- VOTE

# Nurses Roles in Human Rights & Advocacy: Actions

- Community and Family Discussions
- School & Church Activities
- Letters to Editors
- Expert Testimony
- Legislative Visits
- Court Actions
- Local and National Boards
- Social Media

# Nursing Now

- 3 year global campaign
- In collaboration with International Council of Nurses and World Health Organization
- Programme of the Burdett Trust for Nursing
- Based on APPG report *Triple Impact*



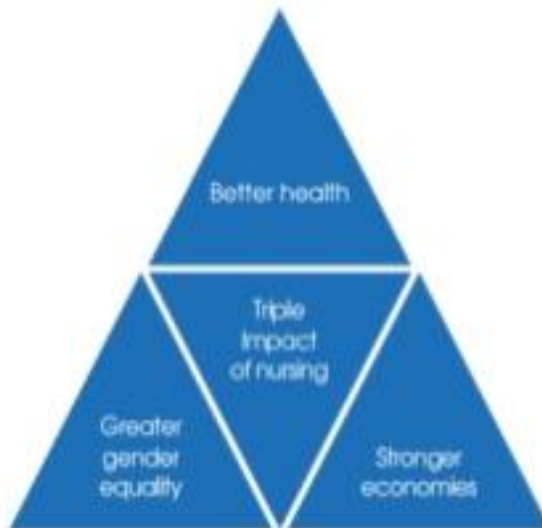


# Nursing Now: Triple Impact

## Triple Impact

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All-Party Parliamentary Group on Global Health



## Campaign vision

To improve health globally by raising the profile and status of nurses worldwide.

Influencing policymakers and supporting nurses to lead, learn and build a global movement.



Nursing **now**



## Nursing Now 5 Tactics

- Ensure that nurses and midwives have a more prominent voice in health policy-making
- Encourage greater investment in the nursing workforce
- Recruit more nurses into leadership positions
- Conduct research that helps determine where nurses can have the greatest impact
- Sharing of best nursing practices