

BACKGROUND

The National Nurses and Midwives Association of South Sudan was launched and established on May 4, 2011 at a workshop hosted by the Ministry of Health with technical and financial support from the United Nations Population Fund.

The association was formed as a result of the need to raise the profile of nursing and midwifery in South Sudan and strengthen the provision of nursing and midwifery services in the new Republic.

The association comprises of an Executive Board including representatives from all states of South Sudan and a representative of the midwifery society.

MISSION

Working towards the delivery of safe and high quality nursing and midwifery care, standards and education through a highly motivated and strong nursing and midwifery workforce

VISION

The National Nurses and Midwives Association of South Sudan (NNAMASS) is a dynamic organization focussed on advancing the nursing and midwifery professions for the delivery of high quality health care for the women, children and families in South Sudan.

OBJECTIVES

1. Advance the standards of practice, education and regulations of nursing and midwifery in South Sudan to the highest possible level.
2. To strengthen the provision of nursing and midwifery care for increased access of individuals, families and communities to high quality health care services in South Sudan.
3. To develop the competencies and professional growth of nurses and midwives through continuous education and in-service training
4. To build capacity of nurses and midwives to optimize their values and address barriers including remuneration which make it difficult for them to offer their best.

5. To foster high ideals of ethics and integrity among all nurses and midwives, in their conduct and camaraderie, among themselves and with others including other health professionals and clients.
6. To facilitate communication, sharing and research among nurses and midwives to inform practice
7. To build partnerships with civil society, policy makers and other stakeholders for the improvement of nursing and midwifery services
8. To be involved in activities and events that are lawful and will contribute to improving the health and well being of people across South Sudan

MEMBERSHIP

Ordinary membership shall be confined to persons male or female who are registered nurses, registered midwives, enrolled/ certified nurses, enrolled/, certified midwives and community midwives who are South Sudanese.

Associate membership shall be for those persons recommended by states for membership and may include expatriate nurses and midwives. Associate members are not allowed to hold office.

FOCUS AREAS

Continuing Education

NNAMASS will work to ensure continuous education of nurses and midwives through in-service training programmes and in collaboration with international and national stakeholders/ partners.

Improving service delivery

NNAMASS will work with all partners in particular the Ministry of Health to ensure the provision of quality nursing and midwifery services. The association will provide ongoing training, technical guidance and support for nurses and midwives to provide ethical, safe and professional services.

Research and policy development

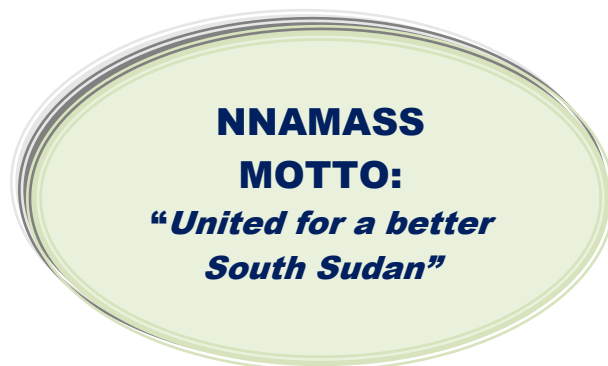
NNAMASS will be involved in research policy development on issues related to health and development. The association will also be involved in key policy meetings so as to ensure that nursing and midwifery services are strengthened in South Sudan

Advocacy

NNAMASS will continue to advocate at all levels for raising the profile of nursing and midwifery professions and address issues affecting nurses and midwives. The association will work with partners to celebrate internationally recognized days including International Day of the Midwife and Nurses Day. Special advocacy campaigns will also be held to mobilize action to improve nursing and midwifery services in South Sudan

Professional Regulations

NNAMASS will support efforts to regulate the nursing and midwifery professions. The association will participate in meetings and committees working on nursing and midwifery regulations in South Sudan.



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