

## Code of Ethics

We, the members of NOMA-HILFE-SCHWEIZ, are convinced that ethical and correct acting establishes trust and in the long run the society and the association benefits from it. We agreed to the following code of ethics.

**The code of ethics is based on the true principles of all members of NOMA-HILFE-SCHWEIZ, which is the acceptance that health is the highest property and that health is not divisible.**

With full details, we agreed

- to act as a representative of all children concerned and therefore preserve their interests to the best of our knowledge,
- to do each disbursement/investment in the awareness that donations are held in trust and are distributed purposive,
- that at any time, our donators are entitled to have access to all information regarding the disposal of funds and to have access to information regarding the development of projects,
- that all criticism shall be of positive resp. constructive nature as positive comments are productive. We shall execute criticism as long as our partner organizations gain a positive result in order to accomplish curative and preventive measures to fight successfully Noma,
- that nobody - neither members nor project partners and patients - due to his or her race, skin color, nationality, ancestry, sex, religion, belief, conviction, philosophy of life, political attitude, age, physical appearance or constitution will be molested, discriminated or without matter of fact experiences any disadvantages,
- that all members of the association and project partners have the right of fair, respectful and courteous treatment by deputies, project partners, public authorizes, employees and colleagues,
- that we respect and esteem the personal sphere of each member, project partner and patients,
- that we dissociate ourselves from measures, which tend to (directly or indirectly) stigmatization and/or to social exclusion of certain group of people. Also we dissociate ourselves from and avoid projects, which create an economical or ideological dependence or effects the autonomy of the people concerned,
- to not implement any actions, which could lead to any condemning or ecological disadvantaged consequences for human beings,
- to not implement any actions, which could disagree with the declaration of Alma Ata,
- to not enter into any cooperation, which could prejudices the honor and/or integrity of a member, a project partner or a patient,
- to treat confidential information from our partner organization with discretion and to secure access by non-authorized persons. We and our employees, who have access to confidential, and as far as health care policy is concerned, information, without approval, are not allowed to hand over those information to third parties or use them for other purposes,
- to maintain a cooperative and open relationship with public authorities in the regions concerned.