

Approved NACC Strategic Plan 2012 – 2017

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CURRENT NACC MISSION STATEMENT (APPROVED 2007)

The National Association of Catholic Chaplains advocates for the profession of spiritual care and educates, certifies and supports chaplains, clinical pastoral educators and all members who continue the healing ministry of Jesus in the name of the Church.

CURRENT NACC VALUE STATEMENTS (APPROVED 2007)

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DISCIPLESHIP

Reflecting on and following the mission of Jesus in head, heart and action.

INTEGRITY

Living out the Gospel in all we do.

STEWARDSHIP

Developing and utilizing wisely the gifts and resources entrusted to us.

COMPASSION

Responding to the call of Jesus by sharing the suffering, hope and joy of others.

INCLUSIVITY

Welcoming, honoring and fostering diversity that deepens our unity.

PROFESSIONALISM

Providing competent and effective ministry within the field of spiritual care.

LEADERSHIP

Collaborating to develop and nurture the necessary gifts for the direction of our ministry.

EMPOWERMENT

Encouraging others to use their gifts within and beyond professional spiritual care.

CURRENT NACC VISION STATEMENT (APPROVED 2007)

The National Association of Catholic Chaplains (NACC) is cultivating the ministry of chaplaincy and transforming spiritual care locally, nationally and globally to faithfully reflect the healing presence of Jesus Christ by:

- forming life-giving relationships with individuals, families, colleagues and organizations;
- advancing compassionate care through creative educational and spiritual growth opportunities;
- promoting the dignity of persons of every age, culture and state in life.

NACC is a light of hope, whose members are persistently advocating for those dedicated to the spiritual care of people experiencing pain, vulnerability, joy and hope.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Goals and Objectives help the community to live out its mission and achieve its vision.

GOAL I: TO EDUCATE AND SUPPORT ASSOCIATION MEMBERS FOR THE FUTURE OF PROFESSIONAL CHAPLAINCY

GOAL I OBJECTIVES:

- A. Provide formation and resources for chaplains to be effective ministers and leaders, especially in emerging settings and health care systems (both Catholic and other) and across the continuum of care.
- B. Enhance members' capacity to minister effectively among diverse people and communities.
- C. Strengthen members' abilities to use appropriate technologies in their ministries.
- D. Continue to foster member communication/networking.

GOAL II: TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF THE VALUE OF PROFESSIONAL CHAPLAINCY AMONG KEY CONSTITUENCIES

GOAL II OBJECTIVES:

- A. Develop materials and programs to communicate the value of professional chaplaincy.
- B. Assess and communicate current research on the value of professional chaplaincy to members and other stakeholders/constituents.
- C. Partner with associations and clinical research faculties to engage our members in research.

GOAL III: TO ENHANCE ADVOCACY EFFORTS WITH STRATEGIC PARTNERS

GOAL III OBJECTIVES:

- A. Enhance relationships with local bishops in conjunction with the NACC Episcopal Liaison and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Episcopal Advisory Council.
- B. Strengthen collaborative partnerships with other organizations within the Catholic Church.
- C. Deepen the current partnerships with spiritual care associations who uphold the Common Standards.
- D. Continue dialogue with other key professional organizations integral to advancing the profession of chaplaincy.

GOAL IV: TO ADVANCE NACC AS A MISSION-DRIVEN, FINANCIALLY STABLE AND RESILIENT ASSOCIATION

GOAL IV OBJECTIVES:

- A. Recruit and retain members to sustain a vibrant Association.
- B. Focus and optimize the core services that ensure members' professional and ministerial competencies.
- C. Continue to assess and adjust our business model, governance, staffing, administrative and financial processes and resources as needed to carry out our mission.
- D. Enhance and diversify revenue sources.