



Climate Action Nurses: Statement on Intersectionality

As *Climate Action Nurses*, we demand immediate and unwavering commitment from all stakeholders to base climate action on the principles of intersectionality, recognizing that social justice, health equity, and environmental well-being are inseparable and must be at the core of any effective climate strategy.

Climate Action Nurses acknowledges:

Climate Action Nurses acknowledges the direct impact of climate change on individuals and communities, particularly vulnerable and marginalized groups. Low-income communities, diverse ethnic backgrounds, Indigenous populations, LGBTIQ+ individuals, and underserved areas bear the brunt of environmental degradation and climate-related health risks due to limited resources and access to healthcare.

Climate Action Nurses advocates for:

As Climate Action Nurses, we fiercely advocate for a future where governments, corporations, and individuals proactively embrace intersectionality, ensuring that no community is left behind, and together, we build a resilient and sustainable world that uplifts and protects the most vulnerable among us. Climate Action Nurses endeavour to dismantle systemic barriers exacerbating climate change's impacts on vulnerable populations, working towards a future where health and environmental well-being are intrinsically linked, benefiting all members of society.

- Climate action must be rooted in the principles of intersectionality.
- Recognize that climate change affects diverse communities differently, particularly vulnerable and marginalized populations.
- Tailor policies and initiatives to address the unique challenges faced by different communities.
- Ensure equitable access to resources and opportunities for sustainable practices and adaptation.
- Advocate for inclusive decision-making processes that incorporate diverse voices.
- Collaborate with diverse stakeholders, including healthcare professionals, environmentalists, and community leaders, to develop comprehensive and holistic climate strategies.
- Implement climate solutions that consider social justice, health equity, and environmental well-being as interconnected goals.
- Work towards dismantling systemic barriers that exacerbate climate change impacts on vulnerable populations.
- Foster a future where climate action fosters a more just and sustainable world for everyone.

Climate Action Nurses commits to:

- We advocate for policies that tackle the root causes of climate change and prioritize the needs of the most vulnerable.
- An intersectional approach guides our efforts, recognizing the unique challenges faced by different communities and tailoring solutions accordingly.
- As educators, we aim to raise awareness about the intricate connection between climate change and public health among healthcare professionals, patients, and the community.
- We emphasize the significance of preventive measures and sustainable practices in healthcare settings, including waste reduction, energy conservation, and transitioning to eco-friendly resources.