



International Network for
Health Workforce Education

Mission Statement

INHWE Mission:

“We strive to bridge the gap between health workforce educators, researchers and policy makers as part of our commitment to improving the education and training provided to health professionals internationally.”

The International Network for Health Workforce Education passionately believes that health workforce education needs to realise and benefit from the great potential that lies in our diverse, knowledge-rich, global society. Our role is to tap into the expansive knowledge resources of the global health workforce education community by creating the first truly international, inter-professional, and multi-stakeholder free membership network. Through connecting our talented group of members we break down the barriers of professional silos, organisational hierarchy, and geographical distance. The result is the creation of global dialogue and knowledge sharing between health workforce educators, researchers and policy makers that is truly unprecedented.

INHWE Strategic Objectives:

The International Network for Health Workforce Education pursues its mission through a number of closely interlinked objectives. We aim to:

- Position ourselves as an **internationally-focused** network
- Recognise the **global impact** of health workforce education
- Ensure we attract a truly **multi-stakeholder diverse membership** community
- Maintain a **free online community** that is inclusive to all and breaks down barriers of distance
- Make valuable **knowledge of best practice** available to all
- Foster a high level of **collaboration** between all our members
- Create and encourage dialogue to help identify **improvements** in health workforce training & education
- Promote **research** in the field of health workforce education
- Drive **policy change** from the bottom-up (by communicating our members’ knowledge to policymakers)

INHWE Strategic Focus:

The International Network for Health Workforce Education strives to highlight the importance of education of the health workforce as a pivotal component of reform to health system, service delivery and patient experience. For this reason, its activities for the 2-year period of 2017/18 will concentrate on the following five focussed topic areas, which have been selected by the Advisory Board in collaboration with members:

- **Inter-professional** education and training
- **Research** in the education and training of health professionals
- **Digitalisation** and technology in healthcare and education
- Skill mix and competency **policy making** (and its implications for education)
- Educating in **rural and unserved areas**

INHWE Services:

The services provided by the International Network for Health Workforce Education contribute to achieving its overall mission and strategic objectives. All our services fall into five inter-related approaches:

- **Networking** – Our Social Network, Membership Map and Events are meticulously designed and planned to ensure that members have several different ways to connect and communicate.
- **Dissemination** – Our Discussion Forums and Webinars ensure that we provide our community with dissemination tools that can be used over an extended period while facilitating debate, sharing intelligence and dialogue.
- **Engagement** – Our Social Media strategy, along with all our membership services, ensure that engagement is a key priority and making valuable knowledge of best practice available to all.
- **Policy & Advocacy** – Our Secretariat will aim to ensure that all relevant policy decisions made by the international community include and reference the impact to health workforce education.

INHWE Membership:

The International Network for Health Workforce Education has a truly inter-professional and multi-stakeholder membership base. All members share a common goal of improving health workforce education nationally and internationally. The membership community is comprised of the following groups:

- Educators
- Researchers
- Policy-Makers
- Representative Groups