

**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR CHILD AND ADOLESCENT  
PSYCHIATRY AND ALLIED PROFESSIONS (IACAPAP)  
STRATEGIC PLAN 2010-2014**

**1. STRATEGIC FOUNDATION AND IDENTITY**

The International Association for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Allied Professions (IACAPAP) is a non-governmental organization (NGO) that advocates for the promotion of mental health and development of children and adolescents through policy, practice and research.

**1.1. Vision**

A world in which all children grow up healthy, emotionally as well as physically, and realize their potential to contribute to their society

**1.2. Mission**

- To promote the mental health and development of children and adolescents through policy, practice and research
- To advocate for access to quality child and adolescent mental health care globally
- To promote the study, prevention, treatment, care and rehabilitation of mental disorders and disabilities of children, adolescents and their families
- To work through collaboration among the professions of child and adolescent psychiatry, psychology, social work, paediatrics, public health, nursing, education, social sciences and other relevant disciplines

**1.3. Values**

To conduct its work in accordance with high ethical standards, IACAPAP has adopted and developed the guidelines and principles of Ethics in Child and Adolescent Mental Health (CAMH) (IACAPAP Ethics 2006).

**2. STRATEGIC ISSUES**

**2.1. IACAPAP Strategic Plans 2010-2014**

Three broad strategic areas have been identified for the process of implementing the vision, mission, and goals of the IACAPAP. The Strategic Areas are:

- A. Improve Advocacy, Increase Visibility & Bolster Participation
- B. Promote Education, Training, Research & Service Development
- C. Modify Structures and Functions of IACAPAP To Enable Her Fulfil Her Mission And Goals

These plans are placed into five strategic goals.

**2.2. IACAPAP Strategic Goals**

1. To provide effective leadership and support to international, regional, sub-regional and national organisations devoted to promoting the mental health of children and adolescents and their families
2. To disseminate information and foster training through multidisciplinary study groups, congresses, publications and other educational initiatives
3. To strengthen the bonds between the different regions of the world to promote multi-disciplinary, multi-professional research and clinical practice in child and adolescent mental health (CAMH)
4. To promote international, state and community policies within all sectors of human services to ensure evidence-based, culturally acceptable, affordable and accessible mental health services are available for all children and adolescents
5. To put in place a mechanism for a regular appraisal of IACAPAP's structures and functions, to ensure that a constant strategic and effective response to the rapidly changing CAMH world is established and maintained, and that the stated mission and goals are being achieved