

CODE OF ETHICS

→ Cannot be established by code of conduct because of code of conduct only establishes

the legally enforceable beh.

Code of conduct is upholding the letter of the law, where as code of ethics is also about ensuring that both the letter & the spirit of law is upheld.

- Code of Ethics is a **statement of the aspirations** and **high expectations of public servants**.
- These practices serve as a **guide to behavior for members** of in carrying out their business.
- An **ethical public servant** will consider the **full range of standards and values that are relevant to handling a specific matter** and be committed to upholding both **the spirit and the letter of this code**.



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good vs popular.

- **1. Advance the Public Interest.** Promote the interests of the public and put service to the public above service to oneself.
- a. Seek to advance **the good of the public** as a whole, taking into account current and long-term interests of the society.
- b. Exercise **discretionary authority** to promote the public interest.
- c. Be prepared to make **decisions** that may not be popular but that are in the public's best interest.
- d. **Subordinate personal interests** and institutional loyalties to the public good.
- e. **Serve all persons with courtesy, respect, and dedication** to high standards.

→ Constitutional morality

↳ Preamble : outlines

the basic features of constitutional morality.

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→ Constitutional morality

Upholding of values of the constⁿ.

• **2. Uphold the Constitution and the Law.** Respect and support government constitutions and laws, while seeking to improve laws and policies to promote the public good.

a. Recognize and understand **the constitutional, legislative and regulatory framework** in which you work and fully discharge your professional roles and responsibilities.

b. **Promote constitutional principles** of equality, fairness, representativeness, responsiveness and due process in protecting citizens' rights and promoting the public good.

• c. **Develop proposals for sound laws and policies** and for improving or eliminating laws and policies that are unethical, counterproductive, or obsolete.

• d. Respect and safeguard protected and confidential information.

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G.G = Participation
of the citizen.

- **3. Promote democratic participation. Inform the public and encourage active engagement** in governance. Be open, transparent and responsive, and respect and assist all persons in their dealings with public organizations.
- a. Be **open and transparent** while protecting **privacy rights and security**.
- b. Recognize and support the **public's right to know the public's business**.
- c. **Involve the community in the development, implementation, and assessment of policies** and public programs, and seek to empower citizens in the democratic process, including special assistance to those who lack resources or influence.
- d. **Assist members of the public** in their dealings with government and respond to the public in ways that are complete, clear, and easy to understand.
- e. **Promote timely and continuing dissemination of information** about government activities to the community, ensuring a fair and transparent process and educating citizens to make effective contributions.

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→ Constitutional values.

↳ Social equity.

↳ Constⁿ provisions.

* Reservation

* Rt. to equality.

* Art 38 &

* Art 39

* DPSP

↳ Socialist

* Equal pay for equal work

• **4. Strengthen social equity.** Treat **all persons with fairness, justice, and equality and respect individual differences, rights, and freedoms.** Promote affirmative action and other initiatives to reduce unfairness, injustice, and inequality in society.

a. **Provide services to the public with impartiality and consistency tempered by recognition of differences.** Ensure that all persons have access to programs and services to which they are entitled under the law and maintain equitable standards of quality for all who receive the programs and services.

b. **Provide equal treatment, protection, and due process to all persons.**

• c. **Oppose all forms of discrimination and harassment and promote affirmative action,** cultural competence, and other efforts to reduce disparities in outcomes and increase the inclusion of underrepresented groups.



Impartiality &
Neutrality



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- **5. Fully Inform and Advise.** Provide accurate, honest, comprehensive, and timely information and advice to elected and appointed officials and governing board members, and to staff members in your organization.
 - a. Provide information and advice based on a **complete and impartial review of circumstances** and needs of the public and the goals and objectives of the organization.
 - b. Be prepared to **provide information and recommendations that may not be popular or preferred by superiors or colleagues.**
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With Integrity

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- **6. Demonstrate personal integrity.**
Adhere to the highest standards of conduct to inspire public confidence and trust in public service.
- a. Exercise integrity, courage, compassion, benevolence, and optimism.
- b. Maintain **truthfulness and honesty** and do not compromise them for advancement, honor, or personal gain.
- c. **Resist political, organizational, and personal pressures to compromise ethical integrity** and principles and support others who are subject to these pressures.

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Transparent
& Accountable

Public funds
& properly used.

Democratic
org

- **7. Promote Ethical Organizations:** Strive to attain the highest standards of ethics, stewardship, and public service in organizations that serve the public.
- a. Work to **establish procedures that hold individuals and the organization accountable** for their conduct and support these procedures with clear reporting of activities and accomplishments.
- b. Act as **stewards of public funds** by the strategic, effective, and efficient use of resources; by regularly reexamining the efficacy of policies, programs, and services; and by seeking to prevent all forms of mismanagement or waste.
- c. Encourage **open expression of views by staff members** within the organization and provide administrative channels for **dissent**. Protect the whistleblowing rights of public employees, provide assurance of due process and safeguards against reprisal, and give support to colleagues who are victims of retribution.

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→ COE: propagate
an efficient
orgⁿ.

→ Mid career
Training
→ promote Indiv
to go for skill
enhancing.

- **8. Advance Professional Excellence:** Strengthen personal capabilities to act competently and ethically and encourage the professional development of others.
- a. **Keep up-to-date on emerging issues, practices, and potential problems** that could affect your performance and accomplishing the mission of your organization.
- b. **Provide support and encouragement to others to upgrade competence and participate in professional activities and associations.**
- c. **Allocate time and resources to the professional development of students, interns, beginning professionals, and other colleagues.**