

## MEMBERSHIP PRINCIPLES

*All EFNA members are expected to uphold the following principles, and it is their responsibility to ensure that the principles are being honoured at all times. EFNA Members commit to:*

- Support EFNA's vision to ensure a better quality of life for those living with neurological disorders in Europe.
- Work in accordance with EFNA's values, and within the framework of EFNA's policies and procedures.
- Ensure that EFNA's news, resources and opportunities are disseminated within their organisations.
- Work in a collaborative, non-competitive and respectful spirit as a network of organisations representing those affected by neurological disorders.
- Be open to communicating successes and challenges, lessons learnt, and case studies to EFNA and its members; enabling an environment for peer to peer support and learning.
- Ensure representation to EFNA's annual general assembly and strive to actively participate in/contribute to relevant EFNA-led events, initiatives, committees or sub-groups.
- Avoid defaming or libelling EFNA, its members or the individuals involved; as well as respecting the ownership and copyright of EFNA/its members materials and initiatives.
- Act in an ethical manner; not using their platform – including social media postings – to advance a personal or discriminatory agenda, particularly in terms of race, national or ethnic origin, colour, religion, sex, age or mental or physical disability.
- Strive to be transparent and to make every attempt to ensure the integrity of policy, advocacy, and communications produced and promoted.
- Avoid and disclose any real or apparent conflict of interest that may arise or any compliance risk – in line with EFNA's Conflict of Interest policy; particularly in relation to support from the pharmaceutical industry.
- Recognise their responsibility for maintaining the reputation of EFNA and preserving its good name, and not jeopardise any existing relationships with other EFNA members and/or partners.
- Advise EFNA if any issue emerges in their work or community that may have an impact on the reputation of EFNA and its members.
- Seek permission from EFNA before acting in EFNA's name, or adding EFNA's logo, endorsement, etc. to events, documents, etc.
- Ensure ongoing compliance with EFNA's membership criteria and to advise EFNA immediately should the organisation no longer meet the requirements.

