Putting the Patient First

The patient is at the heart of all that we do.

Our Field teams are in direct contact with patients every day, so they are at the center of everything we do.

The supporting teams around them have a single objective: to create the conditions that enable the front-line personnel to care for patients in a quick, efficient and responsible manner.

Revolutionizing Humanitarian Medicine

Through medical research and the pursuit of innovation, we contribute to the improvement of medical quality in our projects, and we share our advances with all others engaged in the global humanitarian and medical community.

We thereby establish scientific evidence, knowledge and operational methods, and we permit our medical innovations to be adopted by others. Results of our work are shared with complete transparency.

Responsibility and Freedom

All people within ALIMA have the freedom and responsibility to undertake any collective action they believe to be in the best interest of the patients, on the condition that these actions are in accord with all our Principles and Values as set out in this Charter.

All people in ALIMA must refrain from taking decision that can we taken by those closest to the patient.

ALIMA accepts taking measured and proportionate risks for the organization, as long as the intentions are positive and the decisions informed. We accept our failures if lessons are learned from them.

Improving the Quality of our Actions

ALIMA commits to continuously question and improve its response through action, in particular in our medical response. We stay current on the state of best practice medicine and science.

We work in partnership with organizations or with persons whose expertise contributes to this improvement.

Without ever resting in the quest for best practice quality medicine, we adapt our qualitative expectations to the context of where we intervene.

Placing Trust

We approach others with trust, aware that everyone has talents and that they aspire to give the best of themselves.

We respect all the persons who make up our environment: patients, their families, our colleagues and the work of our partners (e.g., governments, financial donors, research institutions, NGOs, civil society).

Collective Intelligence

We are more intelligent together; collaboration with communities, our colleagues, and our partners is essential to the realization of our vision.

Within our teams and those of our partners, and in our environment, there are persons with expertise to be shared. We must consult them in order to find the best solutions for our patients.

ALIMA claims that working in partnership allows the exercise of one’s professional expertise more efficiently and more effectively.

Alima is an association that belongs to its members, who are, or have been, involved in day-to-day operations.