



**Memorandum of Understanding between the CASW and NASW**

(Effective July 1, 2020 to July 1, 2024)

Whereas the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) and the Canadian Association of Social Workers (CASW) are committed to promoting and strengthening the social work profession; AND

Whereas both organizations are also committed to common ethical principles and professional social work values; AND,

Whereas NASW and CASW value our reciprocal relationship and the benefits inherent in exchanging information of mutual interest; AND,

Whereas each organization has resources and information that are potentially helpful to the other and to the advancement of the social work profession,

THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED THAT:

- The Presidents and Chief Executive Officers/Executive Directors of the two organizations will meet at least once annually to share information and identify common issues for joint action.
- Collaboration will occur whenever feasible in relation to issues that are identified for action and others that arise and are appropriate for joint activity.
- Both organizations will be available to offer consultation, support, and feedback to each other on specific initiatives.
- The organizations will exchange and share resources including publications, national public campaigns, and technical support when applicable.
- The two organizations will seek opportunities to develop joint statements on social issues affecting the profession and the people we serve.
- The two organizations will provide regular updates to their membership regarding the NASW/CASW collaborative work.
- The two organizations will rotate the IFSW North American Vice President and the IFSW Regional President every two years. This section of the agreement will be revisited if the Region expands to include additional countries.

By signing this Memorandum of Understanding NASW and CASW have ratified an agenda for mutual understanding and cooperation between the two organizations and for the advancement of the social work profession in the United States, Canada, and internationally

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June 19, 2020  
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