

## GA4GH STANDARDS FOR PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

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**Introduction:** The purpose of these Standards are to ensure that all contributors to GA4GH promote the mission of the GA4GH and maintain a professional and respectful environment. It applies to all activities and interactions of those contributors involving GA4GH.

### **GA4GH Contributors Shall:**

- Adhere to GA4GH's mission and [\*Framework for Responsible Sharing of Genomic and Health Related Data\*](#).
- Act to uphold the interests and reputation of the GA4GH.
- Promote standards, policies, and products that contribute to scientific and technological advancement that improves human health, e.g., by offering competent opinions and services, and considering diverse viewpoints.
- Treat all colleagues with respect, courtesy, and professionalism.
- Commit to the highest standards of objectivity and transparency concerning credentials, qualifications, and conflicts of interests.
- Respect GA4GH policies as established on the GA4GH website or within Work Streams.

**Uptake:** These standards will be shared on the GA4GH website, and will provided to new contributors when they join Work Streams.

**Acknowledgements:** This Code is modeled on the Internet Society's "Code of Conduct", the World Wide Web Consortium's "Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct" and the Open-Stand Principles.