

**Vision, Mission, Core Values**

**Vision**

To facilitate healthy and inclusive lives for people with spinal cord injury or dysfunction globally

**Mission**

To advance spinal cord injury awareness and prevention, high quality clinical care and community support by providing and promoting education and training, advocacy, social inclusion, community outreach, research, innovation, and scientific activities around the world.

**Core Values**

**Core Values: STEAR**

Sustainability

Transparency and Responsibility

Equity / equality, Integrity and Empathy

Accessibility and Inclusivity

Research & Education

**Driving Principles: TECH**

Technology driven team work

Ensuring responsible governance and empowerment

Collaborative, Partnership approach and Commitment

Holistic approach with financial accountability and Leadership

**Others:**

Patient Advocacy and Human Rights

Fairness

Implementable Future proofing

Democratic

## Objectives and Goals

### A. Spinal Cord Injury (SCI)\* Prevention

#### Objective:

Expand and implement SCI prevention programs and education initiatives to raise awareness of the causes of SCI, prevent SCI and reduce the incidence of secondary and tertiary complications following SCI.

#### Goals

1. Collect and analyse data to identify causes and mechanisms of traumatic and non-traumatic injuries.
2. Co-design and implement context-specific, evidence-based, multi-strategic (education, environment and enforcement) awareness and prevention strategies in partnership with key stakeholders.
3. Evaluate effectiveness of prevention programs.
4. Explore potential collaborations with other allied organizations working in the field of injury prevention.

### B. Scientific Activities

#### Objective:

Promote scientific exchange among its members and other stakeholders by collating and disseminating accurate information about the health, function and quality of life of persons living with SCI through a range of media and activities, including but not limited to publications, correspondence, exhibits, regional and international workshops and seminars, symposia, conferences, and online and other resources.

#### Goals:

1. To organize scientific exchange programs among members and other similar bodies, thereby encouraging the exchange of knowledge.
2. To ensure dissemination of accurate information in the form of manuscripts, reports, white papers, and multilingual online resources across the world and professions.
3. To promote, sponsor and organise national, regional and international scientific meetings to enable and encourage knowledge exchange and uptake, in the form of activity based learning approaches by promoting widespread participation of the community masses and consumer groups.

### C. Research

#### Objective:

Advise, encourage, promote, and when requested, assist in efforts to co-ordinate or guide research, development and evaluation activities related to the management of people living with SCI throughout the world. This includes long-term health promotion, prevention of morbidity and early intervention to reduce potential loss of quality of life wherever possible.

#### Goals:

1. To work with all interested parties, including those directly affected by SCI, to ensure that research activities related to the health and lives of persons living with SCI are conducted throughout the world by regional members and others, and to provide guidance as required.
2. To liaise with and promote cooperation in research related activities amongst members and other stakeholders internationally.

### D. Partnership and Collaboration

**Objective:**

To engage with key organisations, including WHO, other professional societies, associations and regional networks, governments and other partners to accomplish the Society's mission to advise, promote and support access to high quality care, education, prevention, research and innovation for persons with SCI.

**Goals:**

1. To collaborate with internationally recognised organizations and government agencies.
2. To partner with people with SCI to advocate for the adoption of best practice in SCI management and for the adoption of new, improved treatments and practices.
3. To promote the best treatment of persons living with SCI across the world by disseminating updated clinical guidelines to all interested and relevant professionals and other stakeholders throughout the world.

**E. Education, Training & Capacity Building****Objective:**

Advise, encourage, guide, and support the efforts of those responsible for education and training in care of people with SCI.

**Goals:**

1. To become the preferred organization for education and training in SCI management.
2. To extend all possible support for education and training programme for SCI management across the world.

**F. Advocacy and Communication****Objective:**

To develop and disseminate new therapeutic approaches and care for persons living with SCI using multi-lingual online modules, scientific sessions, newsletters/reviews, journals, etc. and advocate for their adoption by health professionals, government bodies and other policy and funding institutions.

**Goals:**

1. To provide and disseminate guidelines for new therapeutic approaches and management programs for persons living with SCI.
2. To provide multi-lingual resource materials for the management of persons living with SCI.
3. To understand the policymaking environment and gain insights into policy opportunities and barriers, those influential in the policy making process, as well as the values and beliefs of decision-makers and key influencers, for formulating an effective advocacy strategy.

\* SCI refers to “injury to the spinal cord from trauma/accident and from disease”.