

# CSWE Strategic Framework



**VISION:** *To ensure a well-educated social work profession equipped to promote health, well-being, and justice for all people in a diverse society*

**MISSION:** *To advance excellence and innovation in social work education and research by providing leadership, ensuring quality in teaching and learning, and strengthening the capacity of our member institutions*

## GOAL ONE: Provide leadership for the future of social work education

### STRATEGIES

- Serve as an authoritative source of information on the preparation of social workers
- Collaborate with strategic partners to advance social work education and social justice domestically and globally, including indigenous peoples
- Provide thought leadership on critical issues facing social work education and research
- Advocate for social work education and research within the profession and beyond
- Support data-informed decision-making on the future social work workforce

## GOAL TWO: Promote quality teaching, learning, and scholarship to prepare graduates for the future of social work practice

### STRATEGIES

- Provide professional and faculty development opportunities to support social work educators in their roles
- Provide curricular resources that exemplify quality and innovation in social work education
- Support member institutions in developing and maintaining accredited programs
- Promote and ensure educational quality and continuous improvement in accredited social work programs that facilitate the preparation of competent social workers
- Promote research and scholarship that inform practice and build the science and knowledge base for social work students and educators

## GOAL THREE: Support the career development of students, faculty members, and administrators

### STRATEGIES

- Support students' pursuit of social work as a career
- Assist faculty members in advancing through their academic careers
- Develop future leaders and administrators for social work education
- Advance diversity and broaden the participation of historically underrepresented groups in social work and social work education

## GOAL FOUR: Foster a diverse, interconnected, and inclusive community of social work educators

### STRATEGIES

- Provide opportunities for networking and peer-to-peer learning about topics of shared interest
- Provide forums to promote and disseminate research and scholarship that advance social justice, social work, and social work education
- Create opportunities for member engagement, volunteer leadership, and shared governance

## GOAL FIVE: Ensure CSWE provides exceptional value to its members and member institutions

### STRATEGIES

- Increase understanding of and engagement in the full array of programs and services CSWE offers its members
- Invest in the systems and infrastructure CSWE needs to support member engagement and data-driven decision making
- Foster an inclusive workplace culture at CSWE that hires, manages, develops, and retains talented and diverse employees

