

Ascend Code of Ethics

Sexual Risk Avoidance Specialists (SRAS) embrace a code of ethics that guides the highest standard of instruction that empowers youth to avoid all nonmarital sexual activity. It is the duty of the SRA specialist to conduct oneself with integrity, professionalism and compassion. To further these principles, the professional provides objective, accurate and practical information that equips students with knowledge and skills needed for health and life success. Professional integrity is the cornerstone of a SRA specialist's credibility. They share a dedication to ethical behavior and adopt this code to declare the SRA principles and standards of practice.

SRAS are motivated by:

1. Optimal Health for Youth
 - They empower youth to avoid all negative risk behaviors.
 - They present all topics within a context that reinforces best health outcomes.
2. Professionalism
 - They continually develop and enhance their professional expertise.
 - They constantly strive to expand their professional knowledge and skills and apply them in practice.
 - They aspire to contribute to the knowledge base of the profession.
 - They use evidenced-based materials for the accurate dissemination of all information.
3. Integrity
 - They conduct themselves in a manner that is above reproach at all times.
 - They are honest, unbiased and principled, in providing SRA education.
 - They serve as positive role models to the students they teach.
4. Compassion
 - They respect the inherent dignity and worth of every person.
 - They believe every student deserves the opportunity to receive information that provides optimal sexual health.
 - They will not discriminate against any student regardless of sexual experience.

I fully support and agree to abide by the Ascend Code of Ethics.

Signature

Date

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