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EDUCATE members on how climate change contributes to health harms and the solutions available.

COLLABORATE with grassroots organizations conducting environmental and eco-justice assessments.

ADVOCATE for environmental health and justice in members’ communities and specialty areas.

PARTNER with health, environmental, and community-based organizations to promote climate health.

AMPLIFY nurses’ ability to influence climate and planetary health policies.

SHARE environmental justice frameworks.*

SUPPORT policies that reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Promote climate-resilient communities and health care, and protect against climate threats.

SEVEN Actions Nurses Associations Can Take

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ACKNOWLEDGE AND INTEGRATE traditional ways of knowledge on planet-friendly living.

COLLABORATE with healthcare institutions, health departments, communities, and government in mitigation and adaptation efforts.

ENHANCE knowledge of the political system and engage with the public process.

PARTICIPATE in local and national planetary health and justice discussions.

EIGHT Actions Nurses Can Do Now

EDUCATE nurses, patients, and the public about how climate change impacts health and how to reduce harm.

MODEL AND PROMOTE strategies to reduce and respond to the impacts of climate change.*

JOIN sustainability initiatives at healthcare institutions, such as “green teams.”

ADVOCATE for:
- A robust public health infrastructure and nursing workforce to care for those impacted by climate change.
- Emission-reducing initiatives and policies within healthcare.
- Policies for just and equitable planetary health solutions.

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