



# ANIPIO

SOCIETÀ SCIENTIFICA NAZIONALE  
INFERMIERI SPECIALISTI  
DEL RISCHIO INFETTIVO

ANIPIO is a scientific society dedicated to the prevention, control, surveillance, education, research, and management of healthcare-associated infections. It was established through the operational and strategic alliance of a community of professionals committed to identifying effective measures for the prevention and control of healthcare-associated infections and to the continuous education of healthcare workers on infectious risk.

## Mission

ANIPIO positions itself as a resource with specialized expertise in infectious risk, supporting safe, evidence-based patient care across different healthcare settings.

ANIPIO works to prevent and control healthcare-associated infections through extensive activities in education, research, surveillance, and management. Its mission is carried out through the work and collaboration of a multidisciplinary group that, by means of research, promotion, dissemination, and implementation of national and international standards of excellence, strives for the continuous improvement of the quality and safety of care delivery, particularly in the management of infectious risk.

ANIPIO is committed to organizing and providing professional, qualified support to all those involved in infectious risk. It promotes working dynamics that enhance both individual and collective professionalism, recognizing the value of the human person as its fundamental ethical principle (see Code of Ethics).

To this end, ANIPIO is committed to:

- promoting continuous professional development and training on infectious risk;
- supporting the recognition and professional development of nurses and healthcare workers engaged in the fight against healthcare-associated infections;
- initiating national research projects on infectious risk, based on the latest scientific evidence in epidemiology, new technologies, clinical care practices, citizens' needs, and risk control methodologies;
- developing evidence-based documents and tools, with a high standard of user satisfaction;
- serving as a reference point on infectious risk for professionals, citizens, and public and private healthcare and social care organizations;
- providing support and consultancy to promote best practices, in close collaboration with healthcare authorities, hospitals, and academic institutions;
- collaborating with other scientific societies, associations, and research institutes (IRCCS);

- producing and disseminating editorial and digital materials (printed publications, informational brochures, social media campaigns, websites, and multimedia content);
- contributing, together with dedicated professionals, to the development of strategies for infectious risk management;
- organizing educational events based on the needs of the reference community;
- promoting patient safety through the development and certification of professional competencies.

## Vision

The core values underpinning ANIPIO’s activities include continuous improvement of its programs and services, integrity, trust, reciprocity, sobriety, inclusiveness, respect for diversity of thought, and innovation.

More broadly, ANIPIO’s vision is that of a healthcare system free from the burden of infections, where every person, in every care setting, is not affected by preventable infectious complications or adverse events. This vision is articulated along five key directions:

1. ANIPIO aims to be the most suitable environment for professionals involved in infectious risk (with particular reference to nurses), where they can access tools for lifelong learning, continuous professional development, and a community sharing common goals, values, and appropriate means to achieve them—grounded in a strong disciplinary identity, ethical objectives, and transparency.
2. ANIPIO seeks to support the disciplines related to infectious risk through the analysis of communicative, sociological, healthcare-related, professional, organizational (health and social care), citizen-centered, and cultural phenomena connected to the values represented.
3. ANIPIO pursues the goal of strengthening the sense of belonging to a scientific society among Infection Risk Specialist Nurses and clinical nurses, in order to reinforce advocacy—understood as a political process through which individuals or the professional community affiliated with ANIPIO influence policy and resource allocation within healthcare and social care organizations, guided by ethical, moral, and patient safety principles.
4. ANIPIO is committed to research, promoting the definition, sharing, and dissemination of standards to ensure it is conducted with integrity, methodological rigor, and respect for the Code of Ethics.
5. ANIPIO is dedicated to developing networking at regional, national, and international levels, recognizing the added value of teamwork and cross-border collaboration.

To this end, ANIPIO is committed to:

- promoting professional qualification in infectious risk and patient safety;
- fostering the dissemination of an Evidence-Based Medicine (EBM) culture in the field of infectious risk;
- raising awareness and promoting a culture of patient safety, infectious risk control, and best practices to prevent and manage infectious events;
- advancing knowledge in research and methodology for the design and conduct of studies;

- pursuing the definition of qualitative and quantitative standards in infectious risk through research and collaboration with other institutions and organizations operating in the same field