### **MANIFESTO**

### 1. Purpose

FLYING ANGELS FOUNDATION, FAF from now on, is based in Via San Luca 2, Genova, C.F.: 95157820101, it is registered at Camera di Commercio di Genova REA nr. 463139 and in the Register of Legal Entities of Genova as 110<sup>th</sup> legal entity. The Foundation strives to help severely ill children and teenagers (up to 18 years old) who suffer from life-threatening conditions or severe disabilities, by enabling them to reach specialized treatment which cannot be carried out in their home country, in order to save their life or improve their quality of life.

### 2. Fundamental Values

FAF recognizes the rights to life and health as fundamental rights of each individual, and a priority for our society, with no discrimination based on gender, race, language, religion, political opinions, personal and social status.

FAF recognizes that it is essential to protect the right to life and health, especially for children and teenagers up to 18 years of age. This includes the right to access life-saving medical treatments or treatments that can alleviate their severe disabilities, if said disability prevents them from having an acceptable quality of life.

## 3. Fulfilling our goals

In order to fulfil its goals, FAF obtains and donates roundtrip flight tickets to transport young patients from their home countries, which lack adequate healthcare facilities, to countries and hospitals where they can receive life-saving treatments or treatments to improve their quality of life. In addition, FAF obtains and donate the necessary flight tickets for an accompanying person of age, and/or a flight ticket for a doctor or paramedic, if their presence is mandated by the operating procedures.

FAF also provides flight tickets and organizational support for outbound medical teams consisting of one to not more than five healthcare professionals, each of whom must be specialized in a different field. The medical teams must fit at least one of the following criteria:

- They need to reach a patient who cannot receive medical care on site but cannot be transported elsewhere, in order to perform urgent surgery.
- They are travelling to poverty-stricken countries to treat patients on site, and to collaborate at the same time with local healthcare professionals, in order to contribute to their education and professional skills.
- They are intervening in humanitarian crises.

In any case, the medical team's intervention can consist of more than one trip, but must have a well-defined duration, and the Foundation will only provide tickets once a year for each medical team treating the same list of patients.

If possible, FAF will take care of the required paperwork to transport the patient and the person or people traveling with them (adult accompanying person and/or doctor and/or paramedic), including supporting the release of visas to exit and re-enter their home country through a "Green Channel" at Farnesina (Ministry of Foreign Affairs).

In order to reach its goal, and grant the right to life and health to the highest possible number of children and teenagers, FAF can cooperate with other institutions (ONPs, organizations, hospitals, doctors and other individuals) who share the same values and principles of the Foundation, with an emphasis on the right to life and health as a fundamental right of every child/teenager.

# 4. Operating procedures

FAF commits to fairness: the Foundation makes sure that the resolutions of the Scientific Committee, which determine if the Foundation will buy and donate flight tickets for a specific case, are carried out in compliance with the operating procedures. By doing so, the Foundation

is able to intervene in the shortest possible time and with care and consideration towards the patient, so that he can access the treatments deemed as necessary.

The operating procedures establish that:

- The patient's doctor or the organization's doctor must request the intervention of the Foundation through the eligibility form, prepared by the Scientific Committee, which must contain the patient's personal data, the description of their pathology, a short report of their current health condition, including the level of urgency and their life expectancy, as well as information about the receiving healthcare facility.
- The eligibility form must be evaluated by the appropriate members of the Scientific Committee, according to their area of expertise, who will decide whether to accept or refuse the request, in compliance with the goals of the Foundation. The scientific Committee will define the level of urgency, according to whether the patient is in immediate danger of dying, or suffers from a life-threatening condition or a serious disability which can be alleviated through specialized treatments. If the request is accepted, the Scientific Committee will decide if a doctor or paramedic is required on flight (if previously requested by the referrer). The members of the scientific committee are qualified doctors and they are divided into groups according to their competences. Each group has jurisdiction on a specific medical area. The eligibility form will be evaluated by the manager of the appropriate area of jurisdiction, who is best qualified to evaluate the case. They will be able to ask for advice and collaborate with the other members of the Committee;
- The area manager must communicate their decision to the flight team within 48 hours; the flight team will promptly assess how to proceed, in order to buy and donate the flight tickets, in compliance with the Foundation's goals. In case of an application concerning an outbound medical team, the team will have to provide a report showing

the number of patients treated and the outcome of the treatments to FAF ONLUS, in compliance with the operating procedures.

# 5. Scientific Committee

FAF ONLUS recognises that only its Scientific Committee, consisting of qualified medical professionals specialised in various areas of medicine and surgery, is entitled to evaluate the applications received by FAF ONLUS, and that only the Scientific Committee can approve the applications and start the appropriate procedure to provide and donate the flight tickets.