

Strategic Regional Agency for Health and Social of Puglia – Bari (AReSS)



AReSS was established with Regional Law no. 29 of July 24 2017. It is a technical-operational and instrumental body of the Region to support the definition and management of social and health policies, in particular at service of the Puglia Region and of the public administration in general and operates as a study agency, research, analysis, verification, consultancy and technical-scientific support.

AReSS sets out to organize and improve, through the monitoring and continuous verification of the results, the responsiveness of the regional health system to the needs and expectations of the health demand of Apulian citizens. To this end, it identifies, plans and promotes lines of development in the field of health and social well-being, also defining and implementing innovation strategies for health and social services, aimed at fully satisfying the health need, declined in the dual perspective of prevention and health care.

As a strategic agency, it acquires and develops new strategic and organizational knowledge. To this end, it experiments with innovation and improvement paths, analyzes and disseminates the best existing social and health protocols both nationally and internationally, promotes and verifies innovative management models of clinical governance, also in compliance with the needs of rationalization and optimization of expenses charged to the regional budget.

AReSS also carries out study activities on improving the use of essential social services, on the demand for services resulting from emerging needs, on social cohesion. It fosters and enhances virtuous relationships in the health and social health fields between the world of research, the business sector and the community, through the study of interactions within civil society. It promotes the integration of citizenship rights and the culture of health, through health training.