

# THE AGENCY


The Health Knowledge Agency (ACIS) is a public Galician agency that was created to become the chief element of the health knowledge and innovation ecosystem in Galicia.

**A new vision to face knowledge challenges.** The most valuable tool for health professionals to care for health is knowledge. Experience, training, research, innovation and new technologies guarantee the constant improvement of the health practice, and it is necessary to **comprehensively manage** them all to **obtain maximum value as far as patients are concerned**.

On the one hand, assimilating and applying new techniques, therapies and treatments are essential practices to offer top quality healthcare. On the other hand, making process in knowledge that enables these new tools is becoming increasingly quicker. So it is fundamental to have the resources needed to manage such progress **autonomously, swiftly and efficiently based on the results**, and with a vision that can combine immediate requirements with mid- to long-term planning.

**Our mission.** ACIS is the Galician Public Health System instrument used to optimally disseminate knowledge since the time it emerges until it is transferred to society. To achieve this, it includes the following in the same value chain:

- Training for healthcare professionals.
- Health research.
- Innovation from an open approach, not only for results to be transferred from the laboratory to hospital beds and also to the market, but also for them to generate economic returns that result in public health.
- Assessing technologies to ensure that the most innovative ones are applied in accordance with top security criteria.

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