#### NATIONAL ASSOCIATION/ORGANIZATION

# Asociación Ecuatoriana de Musicoterapia (AEM)

# CURRENT PRESIDENT NUMBER OF MEMBERS Mario Ayabaca MISSION

The AEM aims to: Represent and defend the right to work of its members, providing an organizational, professional, and ethical framework for the defense of the work of music therapy professionals in Ecuador, as well as to promote job development to encourage fair remuneration and ensure access to social security. Additionally, the AEM seeks to encourage the employment of its members, defend their interests, rights, and immunities in the exercise of their profession against any type of public and private entity that has direct or indirect relation to the activity of music therapists.

Defend the labor rights of music therapy professionals: The AEM is committed to actively defending the labor rights of music therapy professionals in Ecuador, guaranteeing fair and equitable working conditions, as well as recognition of their work in the labor and social spheres.

Promote job creation and the establishment of fair remuneration: The AEM will actively work to promote job creation in public and private institutions where their work can be valued and recognized. It will also work to establish fair remuneration commensurate with the training and experience of professionals, thus contributing to the country's labor and economic development by reducing unemployment and informality, thereby closing the gap with the basic family basket.

Promote collaboration with government entities and international organizations: The AEM will seek to establish strategic alliances and collaborations with government agencies and international entities, in order to promote policies and programs that contribute to the development and recognition of music therapy as a profession in the country.

## **ECUADOR**







### **Re-accreditation**

At present, there is no established procedure for obtaining licenses for the practice of music therapy. The sole existing process pertains to the validation of degrees obtained from foreign universities, overseen by the Secretariat of Higher Education of Ecuador - Senescyt.

#### **Publications**

Jurado Noboa, C. (2018) Neurologic Music Therapy As A Neurorehabilitation Model by Cecilia Jurado Noboa. 27(1), (72-79)
Ayabaca, M. y Jaramillo, M. (2023).
Academic stress and music therapy in Ecuador [Estrés académico y musicoterapia en Ecuador]. Misostenido, 3(5), 82-88.

Jiménez-Burneo, J. J., & Chacón-Gómez, A. K. (2024). Music therapy resources for the regulation of anxiety derived from thanatophobia [Aplicaciones de la musicoterapia para la regulación de la ansiedad derivada de la tanatofobia].
Misostenido, 4(6), 42-50.

## Number of MT Schools which offer music therapy programs

The International University of La Rioja (UNIR), located in Spain, offers online Master's programs in Music Therapy to Ecuadorians.

## **Supporting regions**

By provinces: Azuay, Cotopaxi, Esmeraldas, Galápagos, Guayas, Loja, Tungurahua, Pichincha and Zamora Chinchipe

# Recent conference themes

Community Music Therapy
Projects

#### THE WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA



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