



National Code of Good Practices of the NSS

Codes of Good Statistical Practices



- ◆ Used by Eurostat, OCDE, and the UN: They apply to national statistical offices and other national authorities, the governments, the ministries and the European Council.

They cover two functionalities



- ◆ **External:** To improve the trust in the technical independence of the national statistical authorities through the improvement of the quality of statistics that they produce and disseminate.
- ◆ **Internal:** To promote the uniform application of the international statistical principles, standards and good practices by all the producers of statistics, for the purpose of optimizing their quality.



- ◆ Good practices are the reference point in order to **evaluate the application** of a Code

Statistical Quality Framework

Law 1753 of 2015, Article 160
Decree 1743 of 2016

Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics

National Statistical Plan

Technical Standard for the Quality
Requirements of the Statistical Process

Quality Evaluation of the
Statistical Process

National Code of Good
Practices

The National Code of Good Practices covers all the members of the NSS



- ◆ It is conceived as a self-regulation instrument, for the members of the NSS, that allows strengthening the country's statistical production
- ◆ It provides orientation for the implementation of the *Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics* by means of the establishment of Good Practices
- ◆ It is based on the review of Good Practices of the UN, Eurostat, OECD and IMF
- ◆ Experiences of countries such as Mexico, Canada, New Zealand and the United Kingdom are taken into consideration, in addition to those applied in Colombia

Structure and contents of the code

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Dimensions

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Principles

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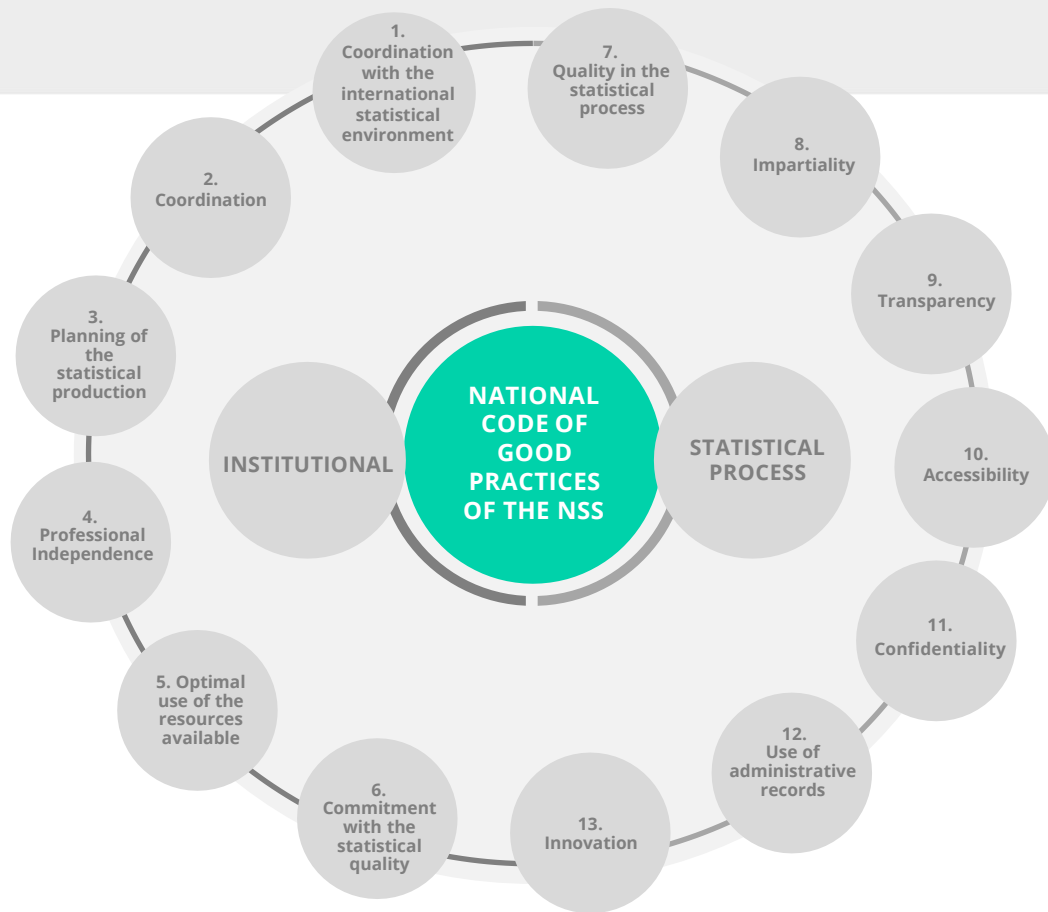
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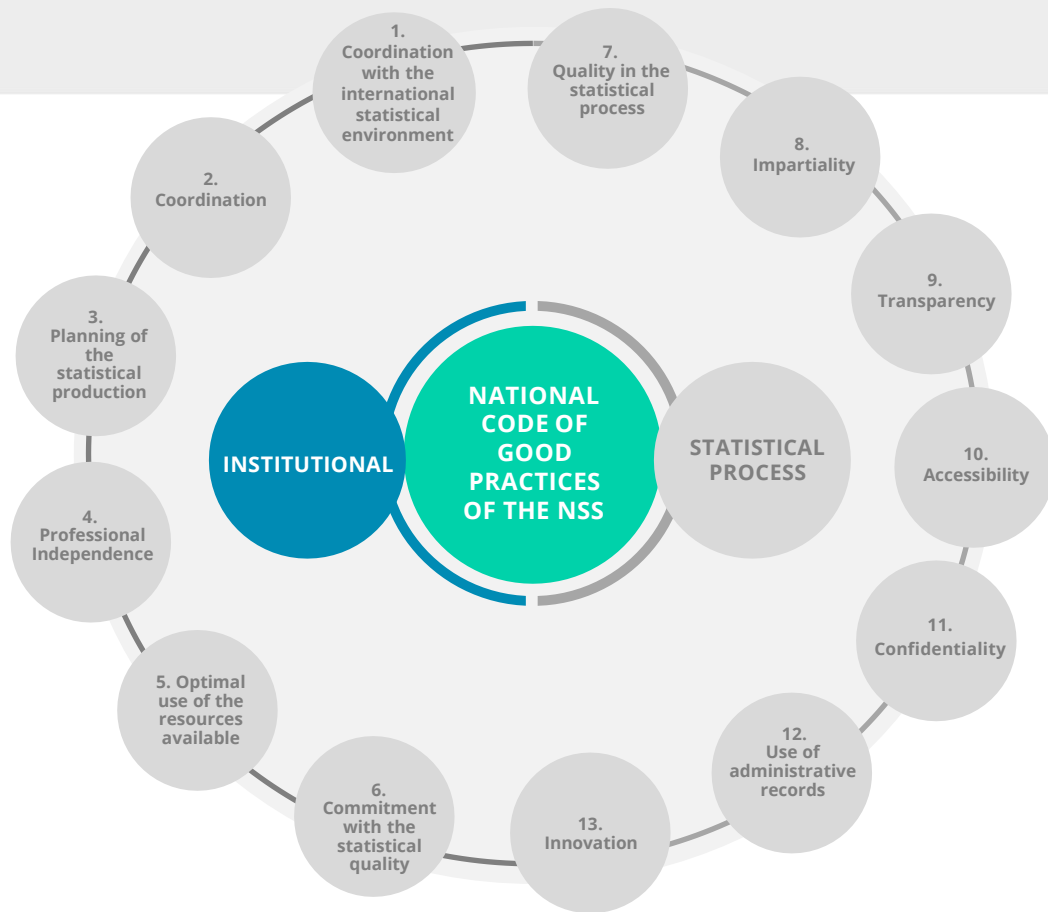
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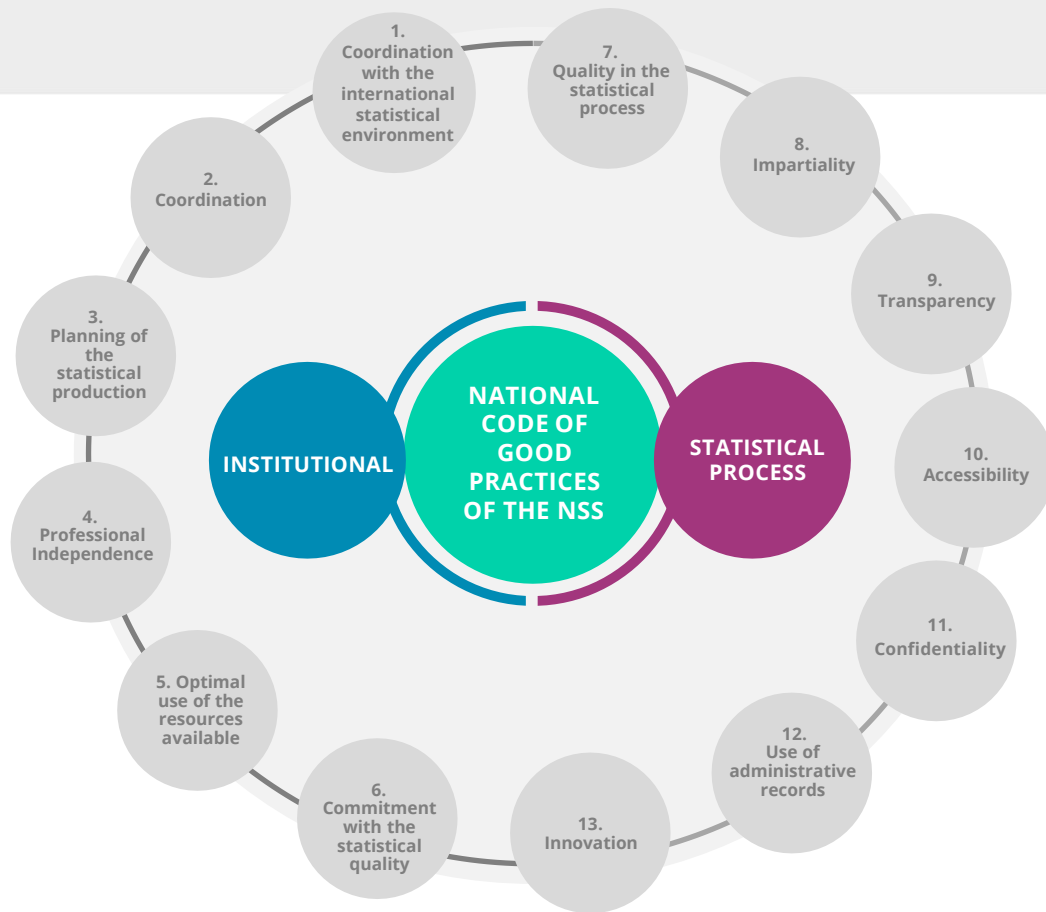
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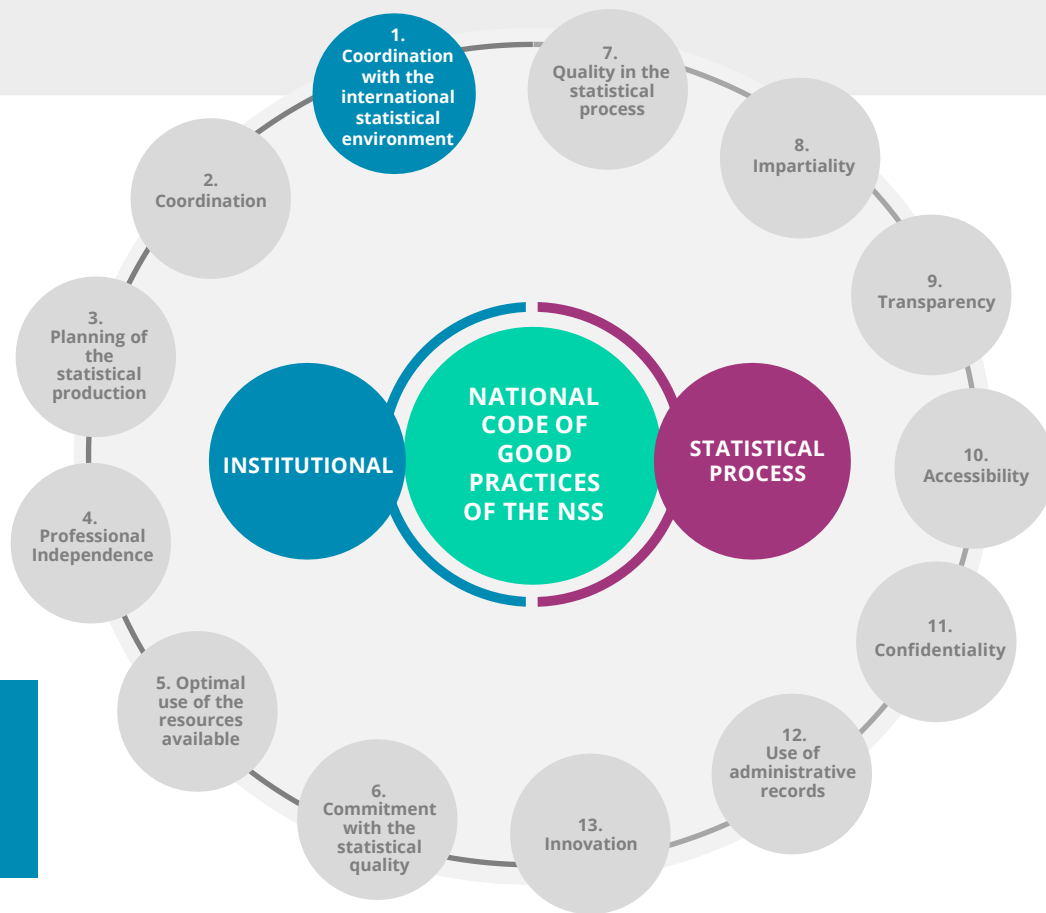
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The members of the NSS, in the framework of the international statistical governance, follow the recommendations and cooperate with the international statistical bodies for the production and dissemination of statistics



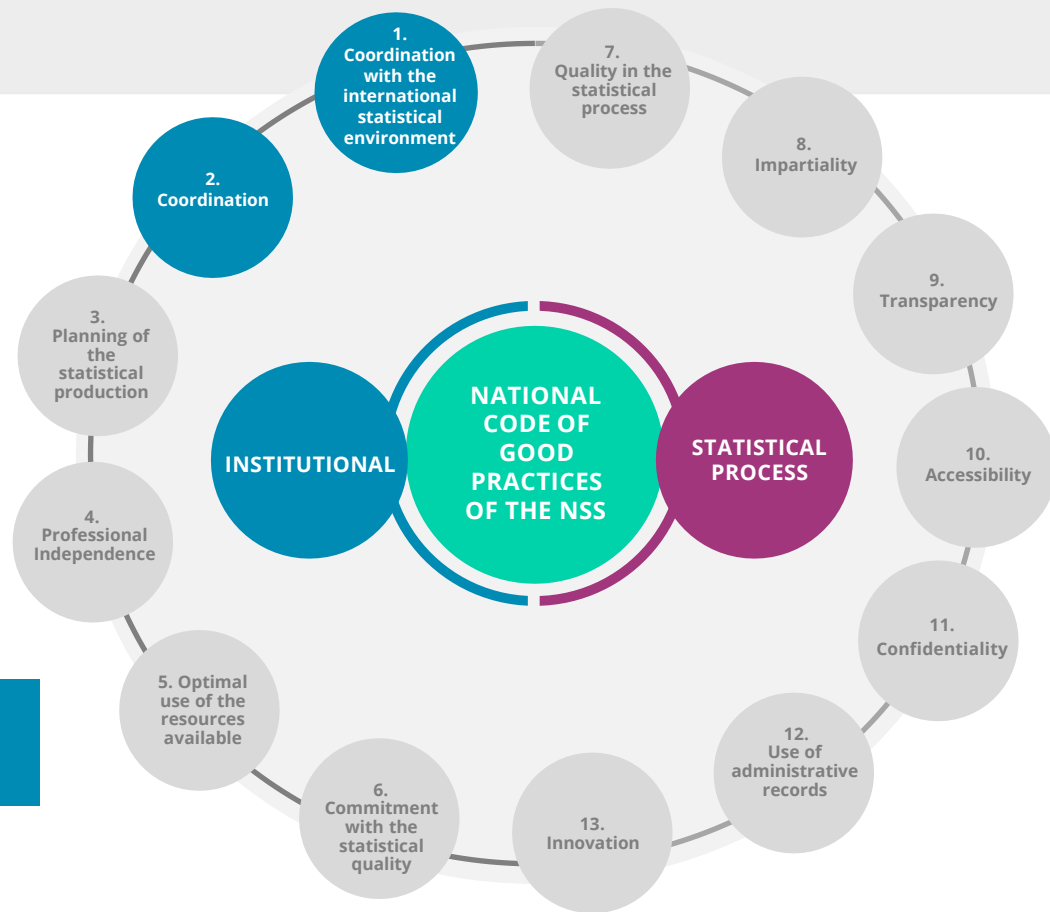
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The entities that produce and disseminate national and regional statistics, are coordinated in the framework of the National Statistical System



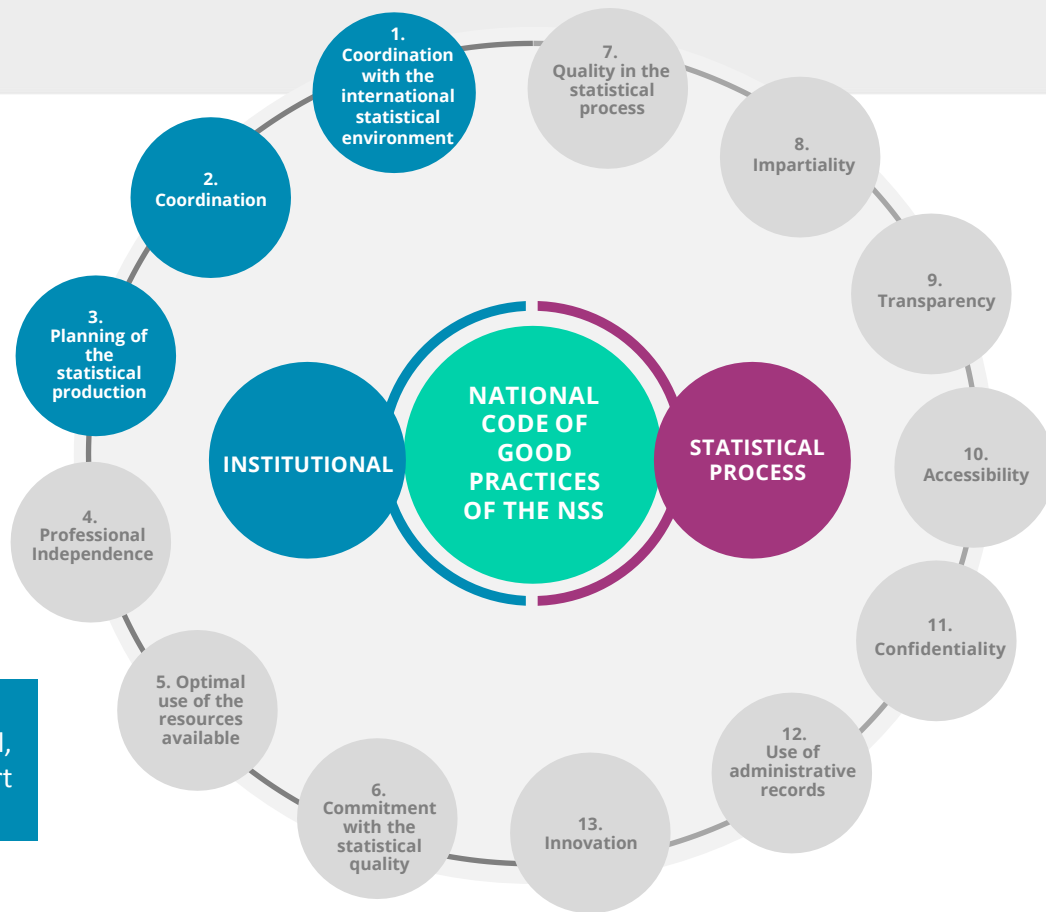
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The members of the NSS, jointly with the CANE¹ and the coordinator of the System, provide guidance to the national, regional and institutional statistical production and take part in the definition of the information required by the country



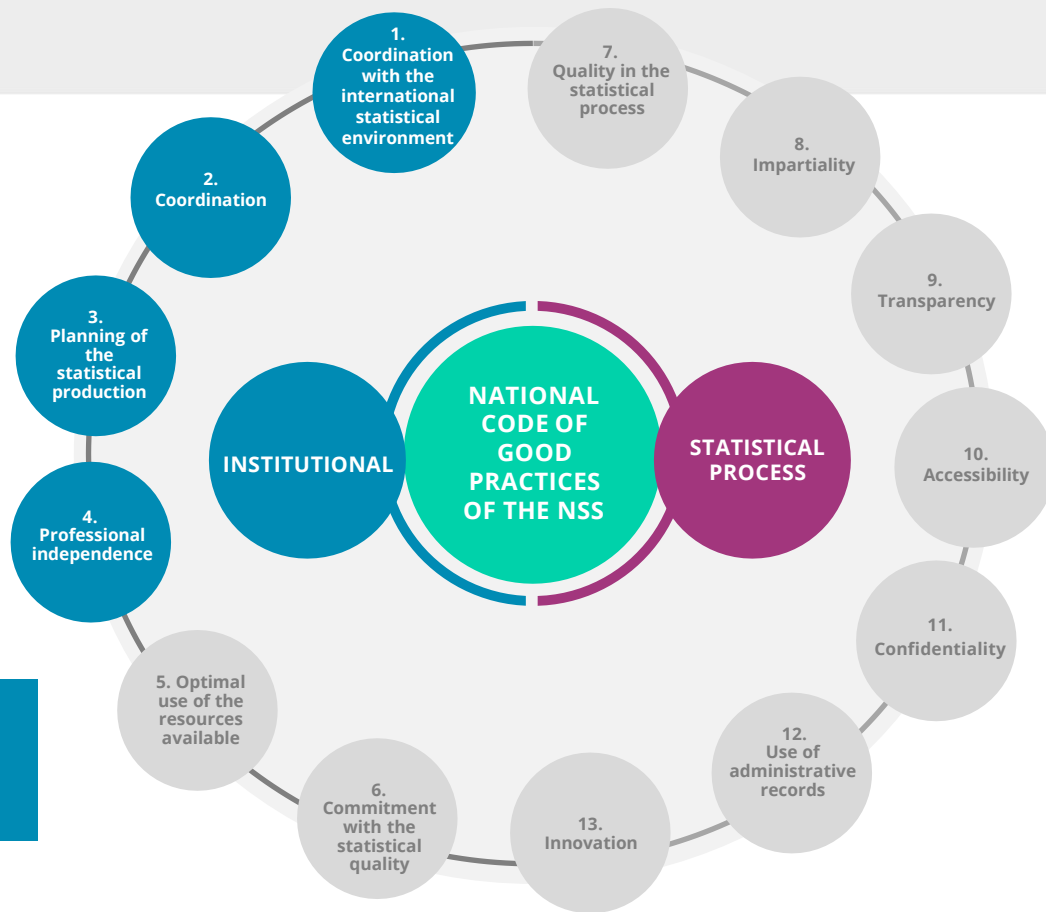
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The members of the NSS, in the development of the phases of the statistical process, prioritize the public interest over the political, administrative or personal interests and of other external interferences



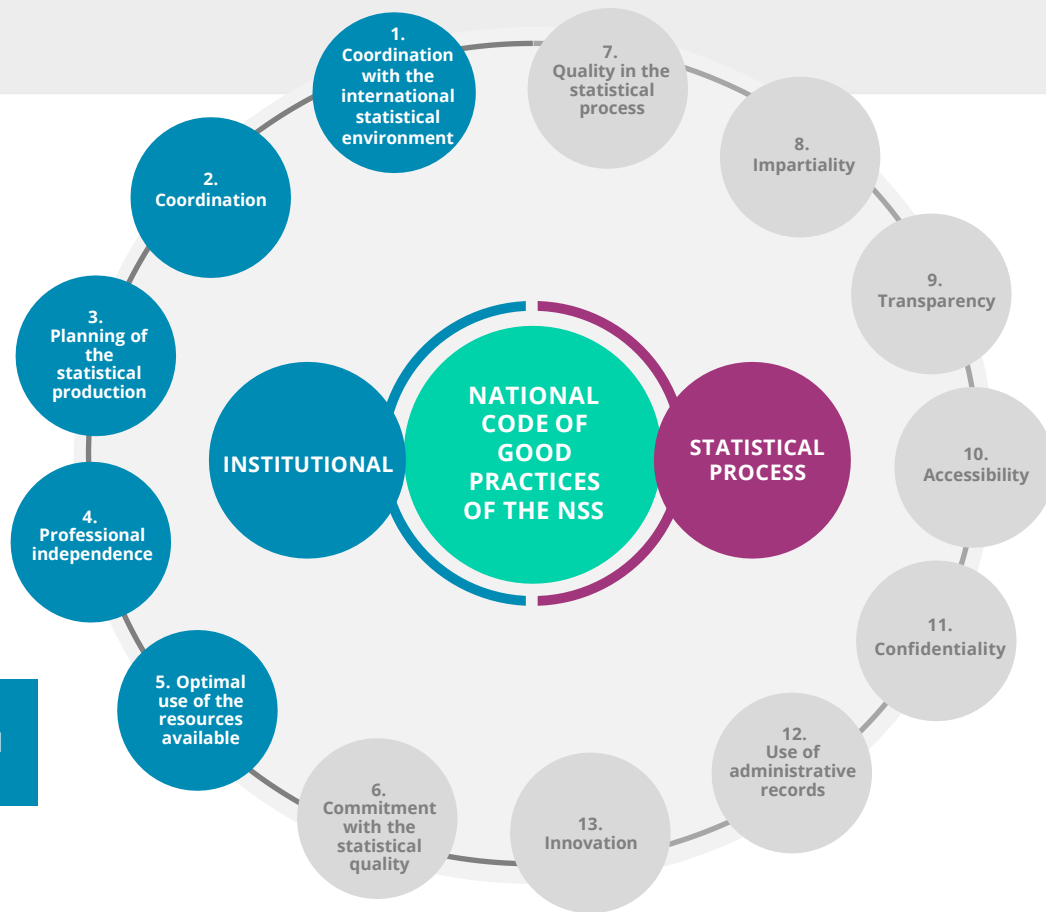
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The members of the NSS use the financial, technical and human resources assigned in all the phases of the statistical process in an efficient and effective manner



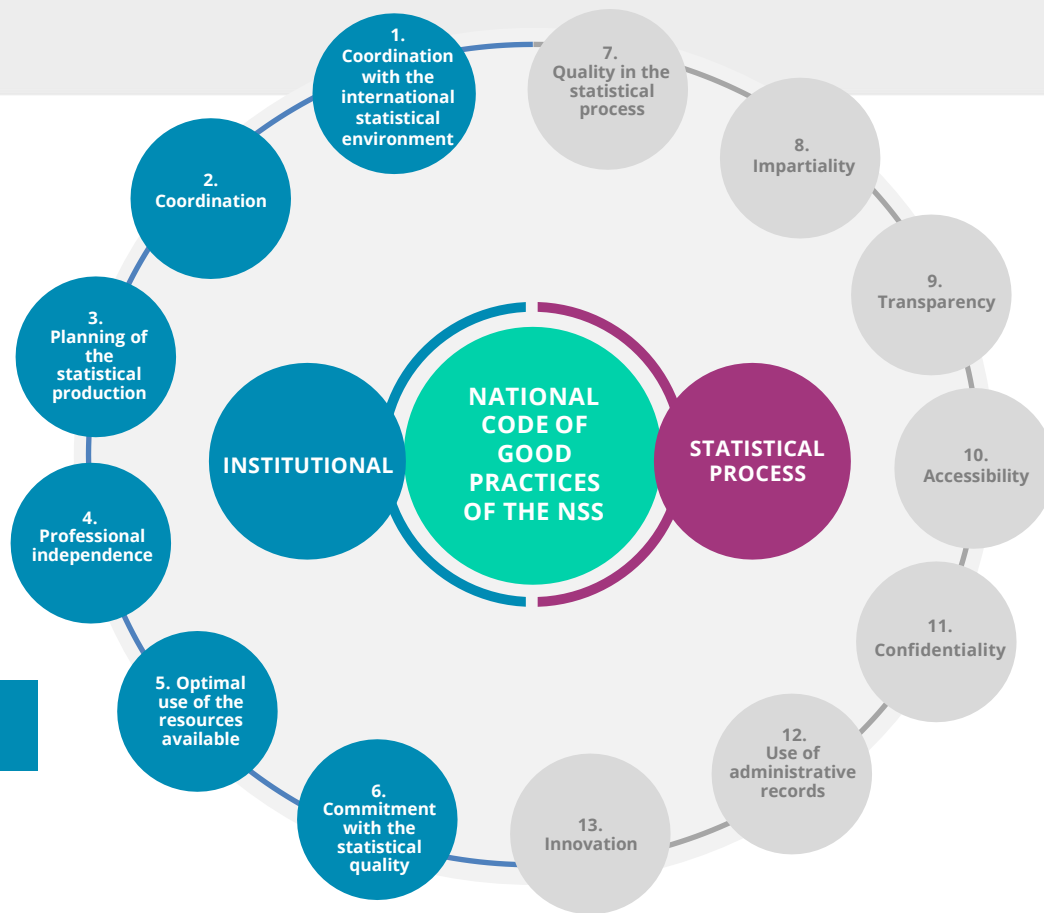
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The members of the NSS agree to implement actions that tend to enhance the quality of statistics



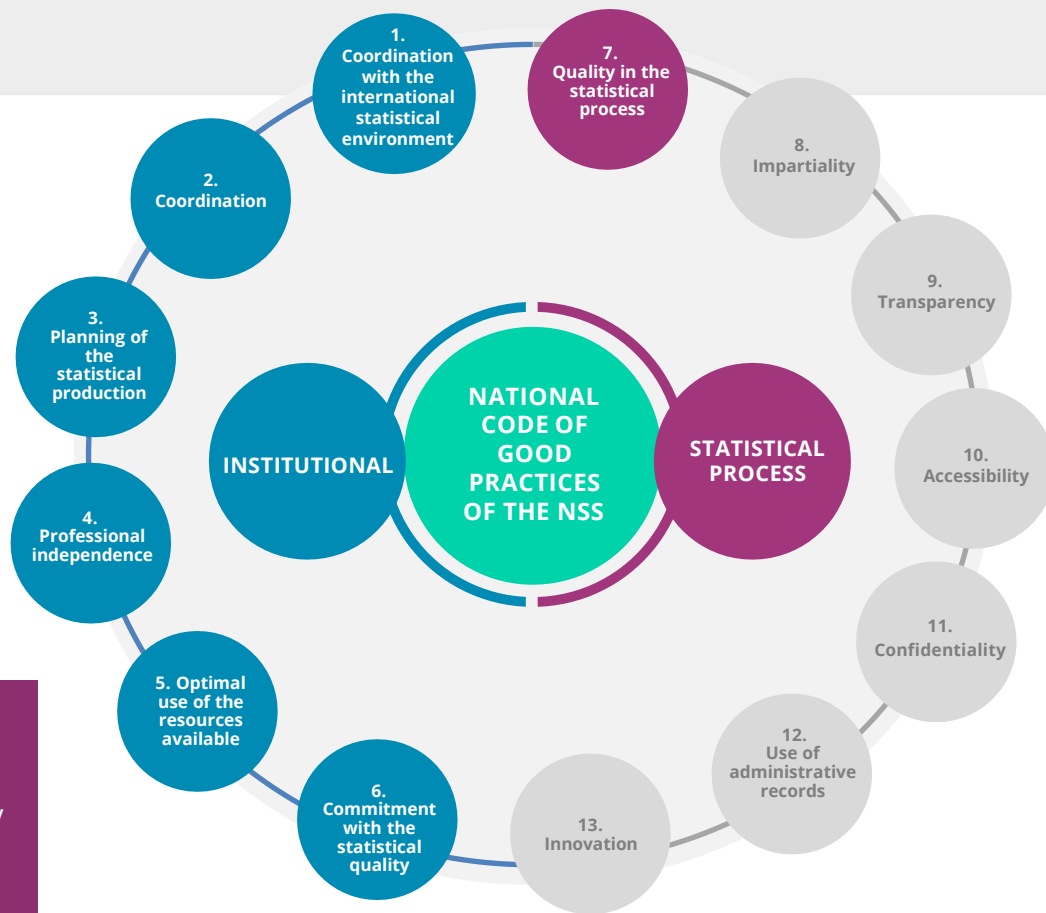
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The members of the NSS produce statistics that meet the attributes of coherence, comparability, continuity, credibility, accuracy, interpretability, timeliness, precision, punctuality and relevance defined in the established quality policies that use common languages and procedures that respect international statistical standards



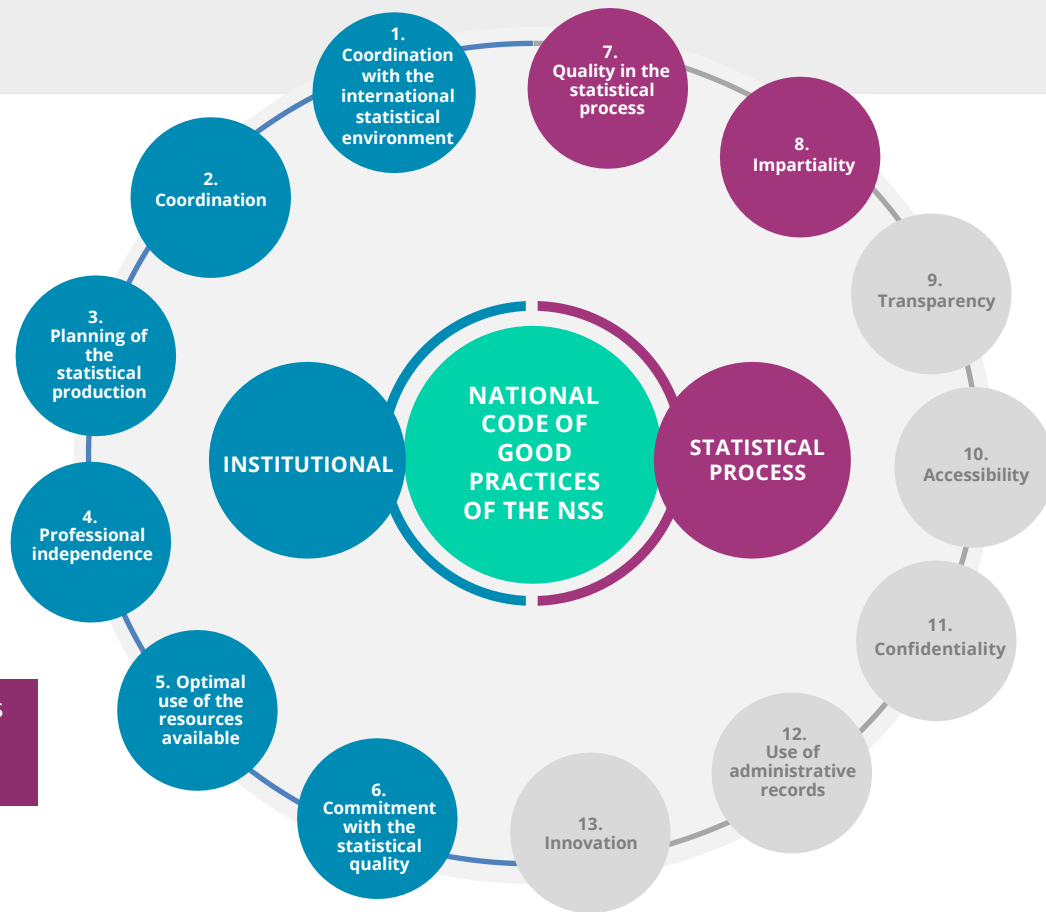
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The members of the NSS produce and disseminate statistics by using techniques, standards, methods and procedures established with technical criteria



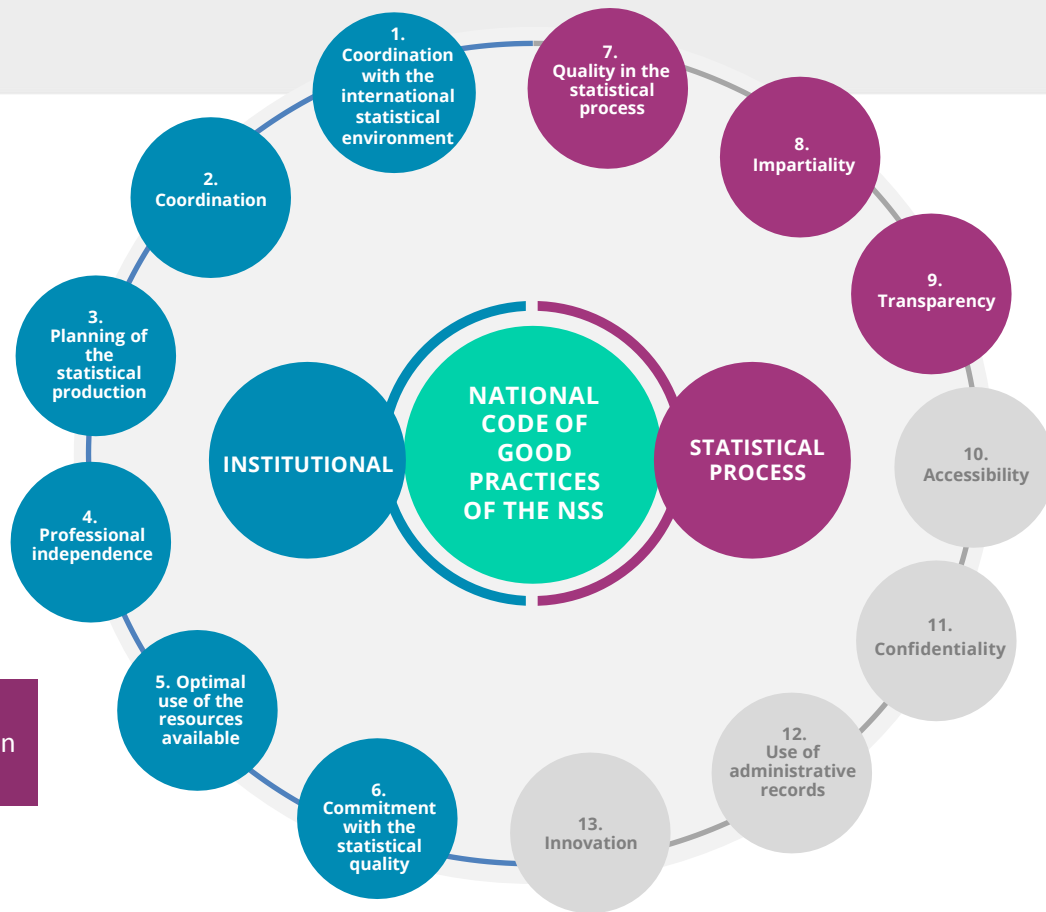
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The members of the NSS that produce and disseminate statistics, in the development of the statistical process, act in a visible, coherent and honest manner with the users



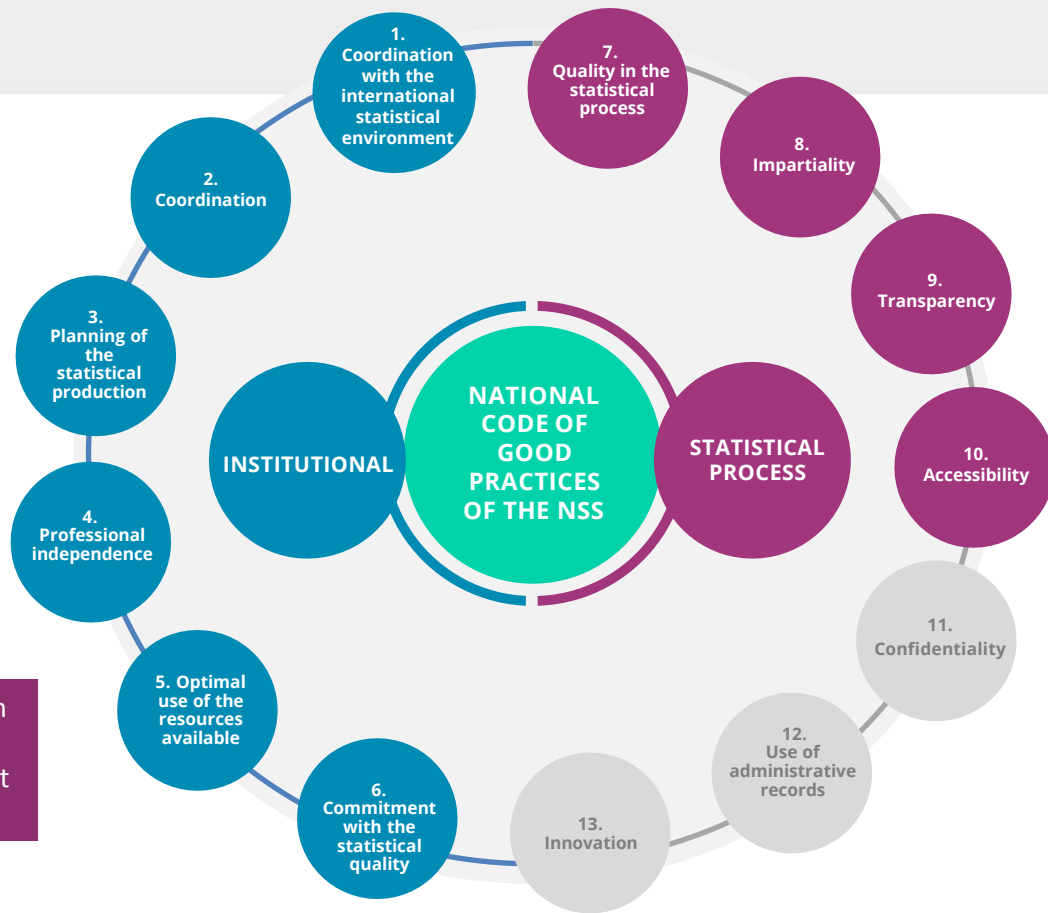
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The members of the NSS present statistics to the users in an understandable, impartial and equitable manner, accompanied by metadata, through means and formats that do not restrict their use



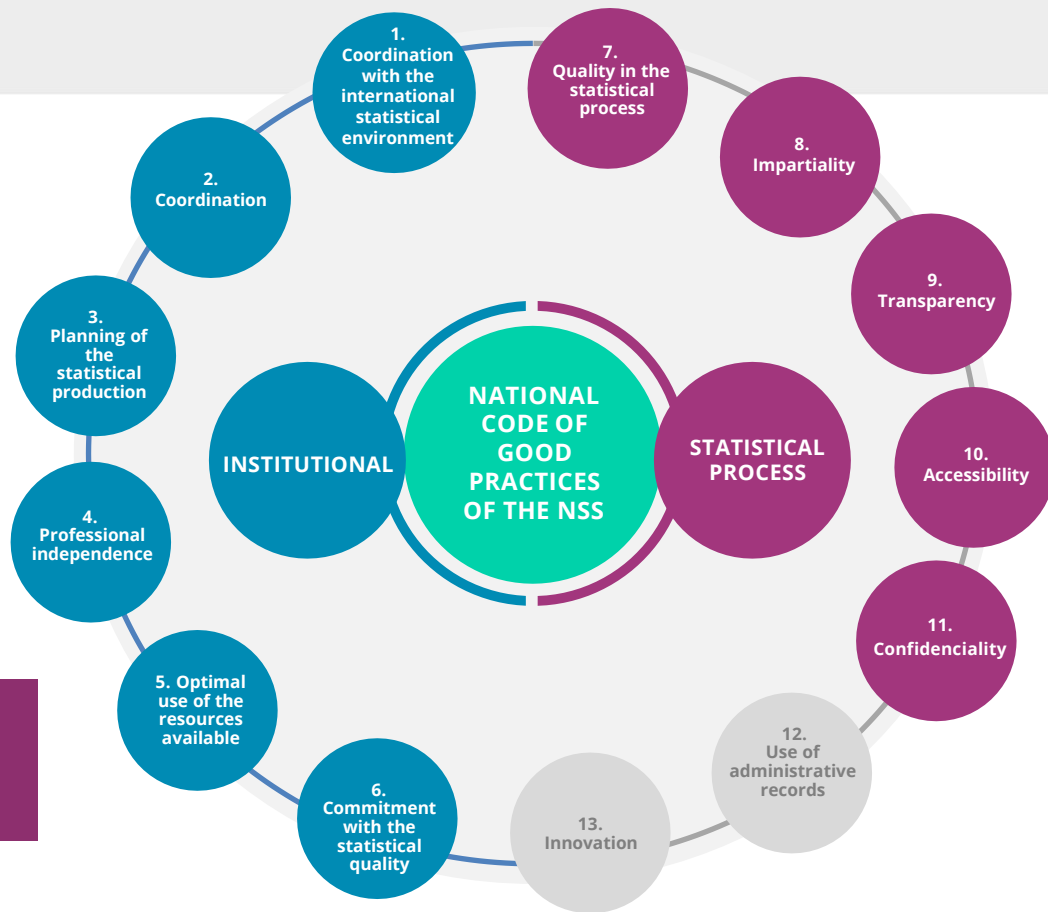
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The members of the NSS establish security and confidentiality protocols that protect the privacy of the sources in the statistical process or in the exchange of microdata



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The members of the NSS strengthen and use the administrative records as a source of statistical production



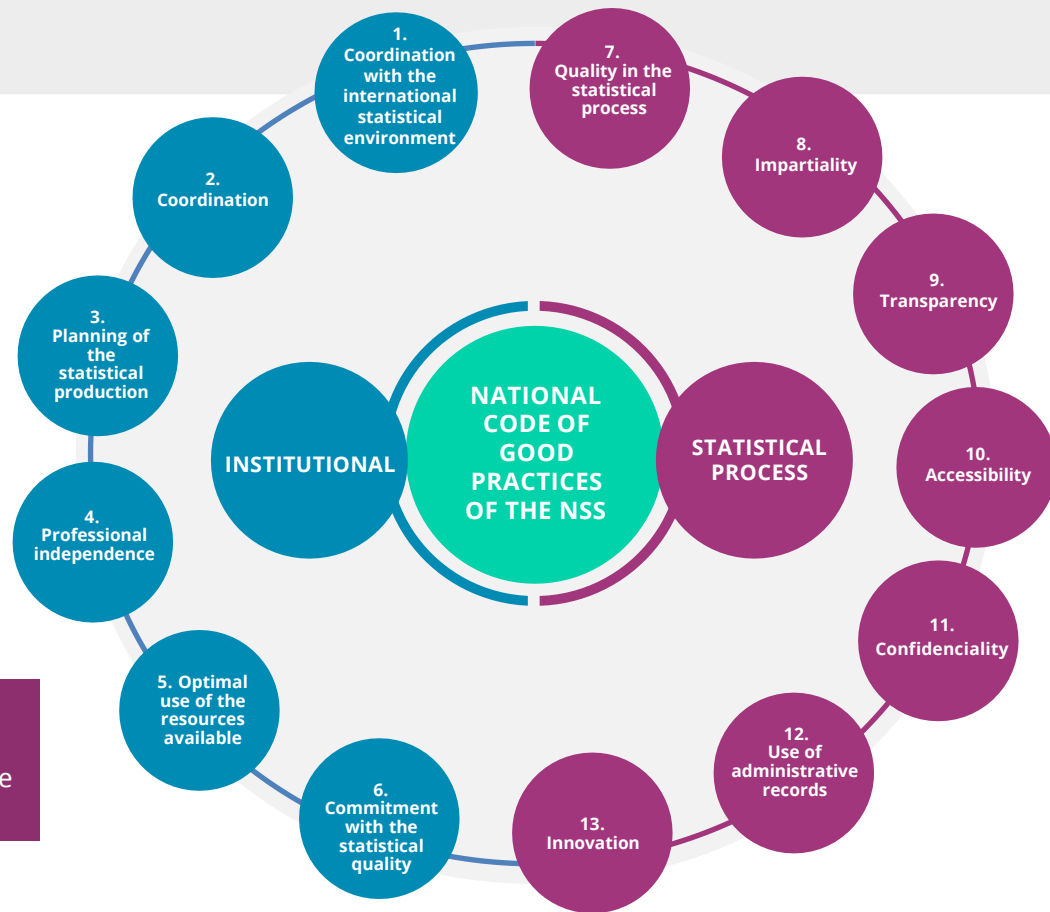
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The members of the NSS explore new methods and significant improvements in the statistical process responding to the international advancements in knowledge and new technological developments

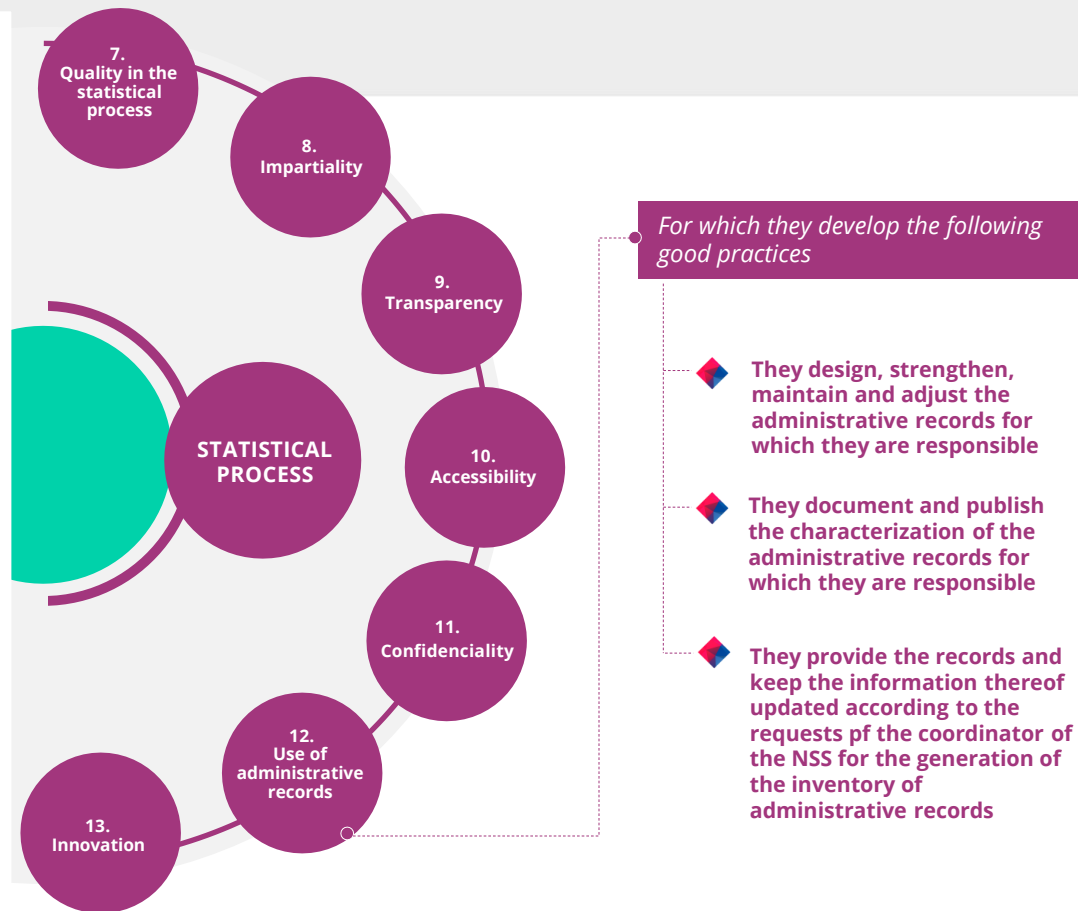


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