

# Position Statement

## Israel

Jewish Care has one clear vision: **Together, building and supporting a healthy, resilient, and inclusive Jewish community.** Our values are universal and enduring in nature, but are also particular to the Jewish approach to creating a meaningful life, and a strong, cohesive community.

Our foundational values define who we are and underpin everything we do. The values, **Respect** (*derech erez*), **Community** (*kehilla*), **Inclusion** (*hachlala*) and **Social Responsibility** (*achrayoot chevratit*), are about people - they provide a moral compass for the way we respond to challenges and the decisions we make.

These values pervade every aspect Jewish Care, informing relationships between colleagues, staff and clients, and our organisation and the wider community.

The Board of Jewish Care seeks to demonstrate our commitment to these values by clearly stating Jewish Care's position on important issues that are contextual to the Jewish community's rich history or because it frames the way we will conduct ourselves and our engagement with members of the community.

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As a significant Jewish community organisation, Jewish Care believes in:

- The right of Israel to exist as a modern and democratic Jewish state;
- The right of the Israeli people to live within secure borders; and
- Israel's continued protection of the rights and freedoms of all its citizens and minority groups.

Accordingly, Jewish Care:

- Expresses its strong support for the State of Israel, its people and their security;
- Will seek constructive ways in which to advance the relationship between the Jewish community of Victoria and the State of Israel, particularly in areas of common interest with the services and programs offered by Jewish Care; and
- Will so far as is practicable, not work with suppliers, organisations and/or service agencies that work against the interests of Israel's legitimate

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rights as a sovereign state including organisations supporting the Boycott, Divestments and Sanctions movement, organisations that fund terrorist activities or organisations that preach hate and intolerance.

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