

**NOMINATION/SUPPORT OF DISASTER RECOVERY CHAPLAINCY APPLICATION**

**To be completed by an overseeing officer of your denomination or faith**

**e.g. Bishop or Presbytery Officer**

# What we are asking of you

As the nominator, please understand that if the person you are nominating becomes an accredited chaplain within the NSW Disaster Recovery Chaplaincy Network (DRCN), there is an expectation that the person will be an operational member of the DRCN Team and may be called on to attend in the recovery phase at a scene of a major trauma or disaster.

Also, the Disaster Recovery Chaplaincy Network is not an incorporated body or a business/commercial entity. Therefore, chaplains remain under the insurance/compensation provisions of their church/employing body. [If you have questions regarding these provisions you should direct them to the person responsible in your own faith body administration section.]

Your nomination indicates your organisation’s support and acknowledgement that the applicant would be a suitable person to be a Disaster Recovery Chaplain, and that they fulfil the appropriate prerequisites detailed below.

Who can apply?

DRCN chaplains are ministry agents from a range of faith organisations, detailed below, who are ordained or equivalent, **or** are employed in institutional chaplaincy (e.g. Hospital, Prison, Aged Care) and who have the support of their denominational or faith body for involvement.

# Traits sought in a Disaster Recovery Chaplain

* Spiritual and personal formation and maturity
* Good levels of accountability
* Being fully present for others
* Team worker
* Compassion
* Empathy
* Capability
* Common Sense
* Non judgemental
* Flexible and adaptable

*Organisations from which chaplains may be nominated*

* *Anglican Church of Australia*
* *Antiochian Orthodox Church*
* *Armenian Apostolic Church*
* *Assyrian Church of the East*
* *Australian Baha’i Community*
* *Australian Christian Churches*
* *Australian Sangha Association (representing ordained Buddhists)*
* *Baptist Union of NSW*
* *The Bruderhof*
* *Buddhist Council of NSW*
* *Chinese Methodist of Australia*
* *The Christian and Missionary Alliance of Australian Churches*
* *Churches of Christ in Australia (including Fresh Hope)*
* *Congregational Federation of Australia*
* *Coptic Orthodox Church – Diocese of Sydney and Affiliated Regions*
* *Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahdo Church*
* *Executive Council of Australian Jewry*
* *Federation of Australian Buddhist Councils*
* *Greek Orthodox Church*
* *Hindu Council of Australia*
* *Indian Orthodox Church*
* *Islamic Council of NSW*
* *Lutheran Church of Australia*
* *Lutheran Church of NSW*
* *Mar Thoma Church*
* *Muslims Australia (Australian Federation of Islamic Councils)*
* *National Sikh Council of Australia*
* *NSW Jewish Board of Deputies*
* *Presbyterian Church of Australia*
* *Reformed*
* *Religious Society of Friends*
* *Roman Catholic Church*
* *Romanian Orthodox Church*
* *Seventh Day Adventist*
* *The Salvation Army*
* *Syrian Orthodox Church*
* *Uniting Church in Australia*

Please provide a statement reflecting the suitability of the applicant as a Disaster Recovery Chaplain and list relevant strengths and skills that may enhance this application.

**Name of Applicant**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Nominator’s Position: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Please return this form to:

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