

APPENDIX

Formal organisation of the Catholic church and its agencies, associated with the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference.

Organisations linked to dioceses, lay organisations, religious orders and parishes have not been included here.

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC)										
Bishops' Committees – there are 19 Bishops' Committees under the ACBC. The Committees cover a range of issues from Aboriginal Affairs to Welfare and are established to advise their brother bishops on issues specific to them as well as to maintain the work of the Committees between the two Plenary meetings held annually. Each Bishops' Committee oversees or liaises with at least one of the Conference Organisations. All positions on Bishops' Committees are elected and are held by individual Bishops for a period of three years.										
Bishops Committee for Employment Relations	Bishops' Committee for Migrants and Refugees	Bishops Committee for Justice, Development and Peace	Bishop's Committee for Social Welfare	Bishops' Committee for the Laity	Bishops' Committee Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations	Bishops Committee Evangelisation and Missions	Bishops' Committee Education	Bishops' Committee Clergy and Religious	Bishops' Committee for Liturgy	
Conference Organisations - these organisations are entrusted by the Bishops' Conference and its Bishops' Committees to continue and build upon their work at the national level in their respective areas, monitored by the supervising committee.										
Australian Catholic Commission for Employment Relations (ACCER)	Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office (ACMRO)	Australian Catholic Social Justice Council (ACSJ)	Caritas Australia	Catholic Welfare Australia	Commission for Australian Catholic Women	NOTE: Liaises with the National Council of Churches of Australia	Catholic Inquiry Centre	National Catholic Education Commission	National Commission for Clergy Life and Ministry	National Liturgical Commission
Bishops' Committee for Health Care	Bishops' Committee for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People	Bishops Committee for Evangelisation and Missions	Bishops' Committee for Canon Law	Bishops' Committee – Central Commission	Bishops' Committee for Doctrine and Morals	Bishops' Committee for The Family and For Life	Bishops' Committee for Finance	Bishops' Committee for the Media	Bishops' Committee for Membership Panel	Bishops Committee for Professional Standards
Organisations in liaison with the Conference – these organisations liaise closely with their appropriate Bishops committees.										
Catholic Health Australia	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Commission	Pontifical Mission Societies								

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