

## Voluntary Assisted Dying in NSW and BaptistCare

At BaptistCare, we provide care that enables every individual to live well.

Our purpose is to transform lives by expressing the love of Christ and, in living that out, create communities where personal well-being and genuine care thrive by respecting the individual and empowering them to live their best lives.

In response to the introduction of the *Voluntary Assisted Dying Act 2022* (NSW), BaptistCare does not support voluntary assisted dying (VAD).

Our commitment to end of life care is to provide exceptional palliative care that supports a person's physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being.

BaptistCare does not administer substances or provide any services associated with VAD at our facilities in NSW. This includes our aged care homes.

Guided by our values, we understand every person's journey is unique and stand firm in our commitment to foster inclusive, self-directed care that embraces diverse backgrounds and beliefs with respect.

BaptistCare will not deny access to the process of VAD and will compassionately care for and honour the individual choice of residents and clients.

BaptistCare employees have been trained in our VAD policy and are supported to follow the appropriate procedures when required. Residents who wish to discuss these appropriate procedures will need to approach their Residential Managers.

BaptistCare is committed to our purpose to meet the needs of the thousands of people who trust us with their care. With our Christian values as a guide, we will continue to enable and empower every individual to live as well as they can for as long as they can.