

# Policy Statement

# Synod Wide People and Culture

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The Uniting Church in Australia, Queensland Synod (the Church) through the Synod Standing Committee and, by virtue of the legislation, through The Uniting Church in Australia Property Trust (Q.), recognises the importance of an effective people and culture framework that meets the needs of the Queensland Synod and accords with applicable statutory requirements.

People are a valued asset and the Queensland Synod strives to attract, develop and retain outstanding employees, ministry agents and volunteers committed to the vision and values of the Church.

The Queensland Synod is committed to:

- 1. The principles of equity, fairness and inclusivity.
- 2. Promoting the principles of professional, responsible and respectful behaviour across the life of the church and eliminating behaviour not conforming to acceptable behaviour standards.
- 3. Transparent and fair practices and promoting equal opportunity through recruitment, selection and appointment processes for employees and placements of the Church.
- 4. Advancing the Church's mission through identifying, inviting, developing, equipping and sustaining leaders across all levels and entities of the wider church.
- 5. Providing a range of appropriate and equitable reward, recognition and promotional arrangements.
- 6. Managing health, safety and wellbeing to provide a safe and healthy work environment.

The Queensland Synod is committed to the highest standards of human resource practices linked to the Queensland Synod's shared ambition, mission priorities and commitments while fostering a culture of responsibility, improvement, contribution, service and accountability.

#### Scope

This policy statement applies to all entities across the Uniting Church in Australia, Queensland Synod and their respective employees, ministry agents, volunteers and contractors.

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