



## A Pastoral Approach to Suicide Care

*LivingWorks Faith is an online program that empowers Christian faith leaders to increase safety from suicide and minister to those who have experienced suicide loss.*

### Who Should Attend?

LivingWorks Faith is designed for Christian clergy and lay leaders. It is a valuable resource for ministry in many contexts, including parishes, hospitals, the military, schools, and the wider community. It can also become part of your initial or ongoing theological training.

You can play a vital role in creating Networks of Safety from suicide.

### What Will You Learn?

LivingWorks Faith will enhance your ability to provide competent suicide care as part of your pastoral ministry.

The training offers resources and guidance to:

- Provide hope-centered, safety-focused interventions with people considering suicide
- Give bereavement support after a suicide loss and conduct a memorial or funeral
- Enrich life-promoting ministries in support of purposeful living and self-care

A key focus of LivingWorks Faith is to deepen your understanding of how scriptural wisdom and Christian theology can be blended with proven good practice in suicide prevention and care.

### How Will You Learn?

This self-paced, online program enables you to take the whole program (5-7 hours) or selected modules to meet your needs. It features:

- Reflection on scripture and changing Christian attitudes about suicide
- Video interviews with clergy and individuals who have had, or responded to, suicide experiences.
- Practice exercises and ongoing access to information and resources
- A downloadable companion guide to help you reflect on and apply your learning

Stories about suicide are openly and honestly shared. Safety resources are emphasised. You will be encouraged to build networks with others in your faith and wider communities.

LivingWorks Faith incorporates the foundational suicide intervention skills training program, LivingWorks Start.

### Where Can You Find Out More?

To find out more about the program, how it has been implemented in other faith communities, or what opportunities are available for your ministry setting, use the contacts below to find out more.