



Message from the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation

Standing together against hate speech

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation (ANMF) has always stood for peace, healing, and the protection of human rights—values that are more critical now than ever. We condemn all acts of violence and conflict, including the Israel-Gaza war, the war in Ukraine, and other conflicts across the world.

Nurses and midwives have long been a force for peace, advocating for the safety and dignity of all people.

We know that health and peace are deeply connected—one cannot exist without the other. Through our commitment to care, compassion, and justice, we continue to uphold these values and stand against all forms of violence, hatred, and discrimination. Our strength lies in our unity, and we must always uphold the principles of respect, kindness, and understanding toward one another regardless of background, faith, or identity.

We are deeply distressed by this incident and the impact this has had, particularly on ANMF members from the Jewish community. No one should feel unsafe or disrespected in their workplace, especially in a profession built on care, compassion, and inclusivity. Nor should anyone feel fearful of seeking healthcare.

We understand that this disturbing video expressing hate speech may have caused distress to many of our ANMF members.

If nurses, midwives or student nurse and midwives have been affected by this incident or need support, please know that you can reach out to the Nurse Midwife Health Program Australia (NMPHA) for support

<https://nursemidwifehpa.org.au> 1800 667 877

We must continue to stand together, ensuring that our workplaces remain safe and inclusive spaces for all.

In unity,

Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation