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**Q1** Name of the organization:

Palliative Care Australia

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**Q2** The purpose of the organization:

Palliative Care Australia is the national peak body for palliative care. Palliative Care Australia represents all those who work towards high quality palliative care for all Australians. Working closely with consumers, our Member Organisations and the palliative care workforce, we aim to improve access to, and promote the need for, palliative care.

The Principal Purpose of the Association is to promote the prevention or control of disease in human beings.

5) The Objects for which the Association is established are to provide a national voice for Palliative Care in Australia, and generally to foster and promote the principles of Palliative Care for people with a progressive and terminal illness and their families, among service providers, care givers and the community at large; and particularly:

a) to provide a national forum for the exchange of ideas and information on matters relating to Palliative Care, and to encourage the dissemination of such information to the general community and to professional and volunteer care givers through education and community awareness programs;

b) to consult with government and health authorities on the needs of those with a progressive and terminal illness, and their families and carers, and generally to act as advocate for the rights of service users;

c) to assist in the identification of areas of need in the care of terminally ill people and their families, and to initiate action to fulfil those needs;

d) to assist in the development of appropriate standards for Palliative Care in Australia, and to promote the maintenance of these standards among Members and service providers;

e) to provide advice to, and support the development of, emerging Palliative Care organisations and existing Palliative Care programs throughout Australia through their member associations;

f) to liaise and cooperate with organisations with similar objectives in the Asia-Pacific region and through out the world.

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**Q3** Information as to the programmes and activities of the organization in areas relevant to the human rights of older persons:

PCA is one of the lead consortium partners in the national End of Life Directions in Aged Care (ELDAC) Project. The ELDAC project aims to improve the care of older Australians. Health professionals and aged care workers can access information, guidance, and resources to support palliative care and advance care planning for older people and their families. PCA leads the policy enabling work of this project. Our role is to prepare policy briefs which include synthesised information to inform decision-makers about key policy and planning issues in palliative care and advance care planning in aged care. The identification and selection of issues for review will follow a set framework which supports the continuous review and adjustment of policy issues to ensure currency of information and relevancy of issues, as well as allow for an appropriate range of issues covered.

All policy briefs will fall under at least one of the following umbrella topics:

- The gap between best practice and current resourcing
- Technology for systems and for people
- Services and resources for caring in the community
- Issues experienced by specific population groups
- Continuity of care
- Prescribing and access to medicines
- Issues related to harmonisation of laws

Prior to finalising the policy brief, each issue will involve a facilitated roundtable which will consist of relevant stakeholders, including aged care and palliative care workers, peak organisations, allied health professionals, nurses, general practitioners and consumer representatives.

PCA also have worked across and partner with many aged care peak bodies in Australia, are a member of the National Aged Care Advisory group, which reports directly to government. PCA have also recently engaged law students undertaking international law studies at the Australian National University to write some papers on palliative care as a human right. Issues of older person care and human rights are central to this discussion.

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**Q4** Confirmation of the activities of the organization at the national, regional or international level:

Please see the following:

ELDAC work: <https://www.eldac.com.au/tabid/4887/Default.aspx>

PCA older person specific work: range of submissions <http://palliativecare.org.au/submissions-and-reports>

Evidence of collaboration with older care peak bodies: <http://palliativecare.org.au/consensus-principles-palliative-end-life-care-residential-aged-care>

Member of NACA: <http://www.naca.asn.au/>

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**Q5** A list of members of the governing body of the organization and their countries of nationality:

Dr Jane Fischer (President) - CEO/Medical Director, Calvary Health Care Bethlehem

Mr Andrew Allsop (Vice President) - Support Manager of the Psychosocial and Spiritual Service Hospice Care Service, SilverChain

Philip Plummer (Treasurer)- Consultant, HLB Mann Judd

Professor Lindy Willmott- Director of the Australian Centre for Health Law Research, Queensland University of Technology

Helen Walker- Clinical Services Coordinator at Laurel Hospice in Adelaide

Judy Hollingworth- Founder of Manning Valley Push for Palliative

Moira O'Connor- Senior Research Fellow, Curtin University, WA

Alec Wagstaff - CEO, Distilled Spirits Industry Council of Australia (DSICA)

Liz Callaghan- CEO Palliative Care Australia

All Australian nationality

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**Q6** List of financial sources and contributions, including governmental contributions:

PCA is funded in the following way:

Australian Government Department of Health

Philanthropic donors: Colliers, Westpac Foundation

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**Q7** Copies of the annual or other reports of the organization with financial statements (File size limit is 16MB):

**Annual-Report-2016-17-Final.pdf (6MB)**

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**Q8** Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q9** Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q10** A description of the membership of the organization, indicating the total number of members, the names of organizations that are members and their geographical distribution:

) Members of the Association are:

a) The following State/Territory Members:

i) Palliative Care ACT Inc.

ii) Palliative Care New South Wales Inc.

iii) Palliative Care Northern Territory Inc.

iv) Palliative Care Queensland Inc.

v) The Palliative Care Council South Australia Inc.

vi) Tasmanian Association for Hospice and Palliative Care Inc.

vii) Palliative Care Victoria Inc.

viii) Palliative Care Western Australia Inc;

b) Affiliate Members Australian and New Zealand Society of Palliative Medicine Inc; and Palliative Care Nurses Australia, Paediatric Palliative Care Australia and New Zealand

c) Honorary Members.

Countries of nationality are Australia and New Zealand

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**Q11** A copy of the constitution and/or by-laws of the organization (File size limit is 16MB):

**FinalPCA-Amended-Constitution-20-October-2015.pdf (427.7KB)**

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**Q12** Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

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**Q13** Please attach additional copies if needed (File size limit is 16MB):

Respondent skipped this question

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**Q15** Website

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