



UCA Redress Ltd

Monthly update – February 2021

We pay our respects to the First Nations people of the country in which we live, and acknowledge elders - past, present and emerging. We acknowledge that children entrusted to the care of the Church did not always receive the care they deserved and we acknowledge the ongoing impact and trauma of the separation of children from families and communities.

If you would like to make an application for redress go to: [Home](#) | [National Redress Scheme](#)

Spotlight on Direct Personal Response

The National Redress Scheme for Survivors of Institutional Child Sexual Abuse (the NRS) contains three components:

- Redress payment (up to \$150,000)
- Access to counselling
- Direct Personal Response (DPR)

Decisions about the payment and counselling sit with an independent decision maker contracted by the NRS. If a person is eligible for redress, they can choose to have a DPR from the institution. This is a direct engagement with a senior institutional representative - the person can tell their story and be offered an apology. It is a survivor-led, trauma-informed process, taking into account survivor needs and preferences for the engagement. Done well, DPRs can be extremely beneficial for people who experienced abuse. As a participant in the NRS, the UCA has committed to delivering DPRs following a set of legislative principles.

DPRs in the Uniting Church are administered and delivered by the relevant Synod or institution, in accordance with local arrangements. UCA Redress Ltd has developed a toolkit to assist in the local delivery of DPRs in accordance with legislative obligations, and offers training and workshops to help institutions think about how they will deliver DPRs.

More information about DPRs in the UCA can be found here [Direct Personal Response – UCA Redress](#)

Upcoming Training offered by UCA Redress Ltd

29 March 2021 12-1.30pm AEST By zoom

DPR training for staff in the UCA and related institutions

Email: info@redress.uca.org.au to register

Training can be tailored for your institution/Synod.

Please get in touch.

9,232

Total applications to National Redress Scheme (15/1/21)

Uniting Church Data

AS AT 28 February 2021

