

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## AMA: Statement on the Bondi terrorist attack

The Australian Medical Association is shocked and dismayed by the violent terror attack committed last night during a celebration of Hanukkah at Bondi.

Federal AMA President Dr Danielle McMullen said doctors across the country were horrified by the deplorable attacks and had expressed their deep sorrow for all the victims and their families.

"We are so deeply saddened by the tragic loss of life and the injuries inflicted on so many people who were innocently celebrating at a Hanukkah event," Dr McMullen said.

"The many injured, both physically and mentally, will be cared for by our colleagues with compassion and empathy."

Dr McMullen praised the many healthcare workers and first responders who treated and cared for victims.

"This is an incredibly challenging time for the many first responders and healthcare workers who have been confronted with the impacts of this attack and may have to deal with those impacts for a long time to come," Dr McMullen said.

"We stand by to offer our support to them as they deal with those impacts. It will be a long road for many.

"We stand by our Jewish communities as they, with our support, deal with the immediate impacts and the aftermath."

Dr McMullen said the AMA condemned violence and hatred and the division these kinds of attacks seek to sow.

"We condemn terrorism, and we stand with all those who are calling for a safe Australia, free of division and persecution," she said.

"If people need to talk, there is help available, including for doctors through the Drs4Drs service, which offers independent, free, safe, supportive and confidential services across Australia."

## **Helplines**

Lifeline: 13 11 14 or text 0477 13 11 14

NSW Mental Health Line - 1800 011 511.

Lifeline Australia - 13 11 14.

Beyond Blue - 1300 22 4636.

Kids Helpline – 1800 551 800 (for children and young people aged 5 to 25)

Suicide Call Back Service - 1300 659 467.

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