

# **Become a local 'LifeWell™'**

**LICENCING PROCESS**

**KEY INFORMATION & GUIDELINES**

## LifeWell™ Ministries

### Process for Licensing

The LifeWell™ name is a registered trademark ministry of Enfield Baptist Church Inc which aims to *help people live life well* through provision of high quality Christ-honouring care and recovery services to the whole Person (Physical, emotional and Spiritual realms). This range of integrated professional care and support services is delivered on an individual & small group model.

In order to protect and preserve the integrity of the ministry, LifeWell™ requires that if you want to use the LifeWell™ name, you will be a *licensed* member of the LifeWell™ Association.

Applications from Churches / eligible Organisations for recognition as a licensed LifeWell™ Centre will be considered with particular reference to the following:

1. Full acceptance of the LifeWell policies and procedures statement.
2. Full acceptance of the LifeWell theological framework
3. Demonstrated understanding of the LifeWell ministry practice model and philosophy
4. Evidence of the capacity to develop services in compliance with the LifeWell model
5. Evidence of the capacity for proper Governance / Compliance / standards measures to be in place by time of operation; namely:
  - relevant facility / business registrations
  - relevant private / public liability and indemnity insurances
  - Practitioners membership of professional associations & indemnity insurance
6. Agreement to participate in LifeWell association programs / LifeWell conference.

## **Typically a process of licensing will include:**

1. **Written Expression of interest to become a LifeWell™ centre**
2. **A visit to the LifeWell™ Centre at Enfield Baptist Church to discover and dialogue more about the lifeWell™ vision and approach to care and recovery.**
3. **Completion of a formal application to operate as a licensed LifeWell™ centre**
4. **A signed Service Agreement to implement the LifeWell™ Core minimum Service scope: \*Careforce LifeKeys 'Search for Life', \*Professional Counselling, \*Massage Therapy**
5. **Approval of a licence by LifeWell™**
6. **Provision of program support and monitoring for transition to stage two services**

### **THE LIFEWELL™ ASSOCIATION**

**LifeWell™ Ministries has responded to the call of the wider Christian Church community to enable the LifeWell™ approach and Branding to become an integral part of the local church missional landscape.**

**This network of like-minded, Bible based, Christ-centred care and recovery ministries will be licensed members of the LifeWell™ Association**

**This growing network crosses denominational and cultural boundaries and advances the missional impact of the Local Church through assisting hurting people in the local community, consistent with the call of Jesus:**

*- Luke 4:18 (NIV) "The Spirit of the Lord ....has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed"*

**Licensed *churches* will gain access to all relevant policy, procedural and protocol documentation and be entitled to receive reasonable consultation and support in the development of a local LifeWell™ centre and program.**

**While it is our intention that licensed LifeWell™ Care & Recovery centres will**

have a clear and consistent character that identifies them as a genuine part of the LifeWell association, it is also expected that each centre will reflect the distinctive and creative character of each local church or approved agency.

Our intent however is that no matter where person attends a LifeWell™ facility they will a consistent experience of *quality, content and range of integrated programs* which enable them to discover God's healing from their hurts, hang-ups and habits.

### The benefits of using the LifeWell™ name include:

#### ■ CONNECTION

Your ministry becomes part of a wider movement which brings Christ-centered Bible based care & recovery to the community. As a genuine LifeWell™ ministry you share with a wide network of local LifeWell™ ministries and in Jesus name, helping them through care and nurture services and small group processes which help them break free from their hurts, hang-ups, and habits.

#### ■ SUPPORT

Your ministry has the direct support and partnership of the LifeWell™ National Team based in Adelaide along with assistance from your State and Regional Representatives. These entities work to help your ministry succeed.

#### ■ RESOURCES

Your ministry has access to the model, operating processes, and resource materials developed by Enfield Baptist Church, which have proven effective invaluable tools in care & recovery.

#### ■ VALIDATION

Your ministry is validated in your church and community by being associated with the Trademarked and respected LifeWell™ Care & Recovery services.

#### ■ PROMOTION

Your ministry is listed with the other LifeWell™ programs on the official LifeWell™ website.

In terms of protecting the integrity of the ministry, LifeWell™ requires that if you use the LifeWell™ name that the following are an irreducible minimum of your program.

- \*Careforce LifeKeys 'Search for Life',
- \*Professional Counselling;\*Massage Therapy

**The DNA of an authentic LifeWell™ Ministry.**

- 1. Jesus Christ is recognised as the Divine Son of God, and the one and only Higher Power. The program therefore is Christ-centered.**
- 2. A LifeWell™ service will adhere to the LifeWell™ policies and procedures statement.**
- 3. A prime intent will be to ensure that those who are in need gain care regardless of financial capacity. Accordingly appropriate subsidy measures / strategies will be in place to resource this care.**
- 4. A LifeWell™ service will operate under the ministry oversight and accountability of a Christian Church or approved Faith based agency.**
- 5. A LifeWell™ service will progressively encompass the following range of care and support therapies and programs designed to minister to the whole person:**
  - Small Group recovery - utilising Careforce LifeKeys™ curriculum as the prime resource – with adherence to the licence agreement of Careforce LifeKeys™.**
  - Massage therapy**
  - Faith Nursing**
  - Professional Counselling**
  - Mutual Support Groups**
  - LifeSkills**
  - Mentoring**
  - LifeWorks – introduction to Christian Faith**
- 6. Therapy Practitioners will be professionally qualified and members of a relevant professional association who are committed to faith based holistic care and *referral* to LifeWell services according to identified need.**
- 7. Small group facilitators will be those who have satisfactorily completed the *Careforce Lifekeys* facilitation training and who are committed to faith based holistic care and *referral* to LifeWell™ services according to identified need.**

8. The recovery ministry is “small group” based and gender specific except for intentional couples based program.

9. Accountability to Christ, the local church, and the LifeWell™ Centre at Enfield Baptist Church.

A church or approved agency who has chosen to use the LifeWell™ name model may upon endorsement by Lifewell™ develop other programs or therapies to the extent that those services remain consistent with the LifeWell™ core vision and purpose, foster holistic care, and do not reduce the integrity of the established courses and service models.

Items produced for commercial sale using the LifeWell™ name are strictly prohibited.

### Service outcomes

The *focus* on services that promote wellness and personal wholeness have a significant intention:

- To promote stewardship of the whole person towards healthy lifestyle patterns and enhancement of spiritual life & growth.
- To respond to presenting needs in a holistic manner, recognising the dynamic relationship between the physical, emotional, and spiritual realms.
- To promote health and well being in an environment which reflects Christian principles of care and support.
- Essentially LifeWell aims to assist people in being restored towards wholeness, spiritually, physically, emotionally, mentally, relationally, and socially.

In sum - the intended outcome for participants is to gain significant positive change in capacity to cope with life challenges, enhanced positive self esteem, and reduced patterns of destructive and addictive life patterns.

### LifeWell™ Theological Framework

Lifewell practitioners recognise Jesus Christ as the Divine Son of God and the Highest source of Healing Power.

Through an integrated approach to care, LifeWell *enables people to draw deeply from Jesus' Well of Living Water, and move on in the refreshment of Living Life Well.*

**THE MANDATE for Caring services derives from the words of Jesus Christ:**  
 Luke 4:18 (NIV) *"The Spirit of the Lord ....has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed,*

*Mat 22:39 (NIV) 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'*

**This action of seeking to bring wholeness/wellness to people represents a high, holy, and biblical goal.**

When Jesus adopted Isaiah 61 as his job description, (see Luke 4:16-21) He underlined one of the most basic realities about life – that Christ came to restore the *broken* and bring *recovery* and *healing* to the hurting.

When Jesus called us to be his followers, in a process called discipleship, his mandate became ours.

*.....whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me: Mat 25:40.*

The expression of practical care toward *restoration* – in terms of forgiveness, healing, hope, peace and wholeness **is at the very core of our faith journey.**'

*Faith by itself, if not accompanied by action is dead" James 2:17*