

# Section VIII

## HEALTH & SAFETY

### INTRODUCTION

The Seventh-day Adventist Church has long recognised the value and importance of good health in the life of each individual.

Society has also recognised that as employers, employees or as service providers through our worship and voluntary services we have a mutual responsibility for our own individual health and safety and the safety of others who are either working with us or visiting and participating in the various services we provide.

To this end statutory legislation has been enacted in a number of areas to ensure that the utmost care is practised whilst carrying out our tasks.

To assist employing organisations within the territory of the British Union Conference of Seventh-day Adventists in complying with both the letter and spirit of this statutory legislation the following two policy documents have been approved by the BUC executive committee:

- Condensed Health and Safety Operational Document
- Keeping the Church Family Safe

The lines of responsibility for the implementation of these policies is outlined within each document. Employers, employees and service providers should make themselves familiar with the content of these documents and ensure that they adhere to the procedures, duties and disciplines.