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Subject: Summons to Produce Documents S-VIC-134
Attachments: JCCV Policy - Child Protection.pdf; JCCV Child Protection Training 2015.pdf; Letter JCCV Child Protection Training program 2015.pdf; JCCV Child Protection Workshop 2013.pdf; JCCV Child Protection Training - Expressions of Interest 2015.pdf; JCCV Child Protection Seminar Media Release Aug 2013 (3).pdf; JCCV 2014 Child Protection Training.pdf

Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse (Royal Commission)

Background:

The Jewish Community Council of Victoria (JCCV) is the peak body for Victorian Jewry with 60 Jewish community organisations as affiliates, including:

- Jewish educational organisations – Mount Scopus College, Bialik College, King David School, Sholem Aleichem College, Leibler Yavneh College, United Jewish Education Board (UJEB)
- Jewish religious organisations – Progressive Judaism Victoria, Kehillat Nitzan, St Kilda HC, Caulfield HC, Melbourne HC, Blake Street, Brighton HC, East Melbourne HC, Kew HC, NEJC, Elwood Talmud Torah, Kedem, Council of Orthodox Synagogues, Mizrahi Organisation and others
- Social & Cultural – Jewish Museum of Australia, Jewish Holocaust Centre, Maccabi Victoria, B'nai Brith, Theodore Herzl Club, JCAM, March of the Living, Australian Society of Polish Jews and their Descendants, Forum of Russian Speaking Jewry, Shalom Association, Kadimah, VAJEX and others
- Zionist – Zionist Council of Victoria, Australian Zionist Youth Council (Vic) and Magen David Adom
- Health & Welfare – Jewish Care, Emmy Monash Aged Care, Wings of Care, Jewish Taskforce Against Family Violence, Australian Jewish Psychologists, Stand-up (formerly Jewish Aid), Kosher Meals on Wheels and Access Inc

Neither the Yeshivah Centre nor any of the “Yeshivah Centre’s constituent organisations” are affiliates of the JCCV.

Neither the Yeshivah Centre nor any of the “Yeshivah Centre’s constituent organisations” have participated in any JCCV Child Protection training to date, though Moshe Kahn, Director of Chabad Youth presented at our August 2013 JCCV Seminar on Safeguarding Children (details attached) where he outlined the work towards gaining accreditation at Chabad Youth. Over twenty Jewish community organisations participated in the 2013 seminar. The keynote speaker at the 2013 seminar was Dr Joe Tucci, CEO of the Australian Childhood Foundation.

During 2014, a series of five seminars were delivered to over twenty Jewish community organisations to increase awareness and understanding of the issues underlying child sexual abuse, and to help them develop policies and procedures within their organisations to protect children. Organisations participating in the training included five schools (Adass Israel, Yesodei Hatorah, Sholem Aleichem College, Leibler Yavneh College, and King David School), Jewish Care, UJEB, five synagogues, community groups, the Jewish Museum of Australia, the Lamm Jewish Library and the Jewish Taskforce Against Family Violence. The participants included staff and volunteers from affiliated and non-affiliated organisations. Hands-on policy development workshops are continuing into 2015 with many of the participants in the 2014 training. This training was developed and conducted by well-respected industry expert Katherine Levi. Katherine is a highly qualified professional with twenty years experience working with at-risk youth. With a Masters in Social Work, Katherine worked for four years as CEO of the Australian Council for Children and Youth Organisations (ACCYO) and six years as CEO for Big Brothers-Big Sisters.

Six Yeshivah College and Beth Rivkah College staff are listed for inclusion in the next round of JCCV Child Protection training which will commence in 2015 (refer separate document – 5).

Please find attached documents relating to the JCCV's Child Protection policy and Child Protection training courses which have been held and those which are planned:

1. JCCV Child Protection Policy
2. Flyer for JCCV Child Protection new series of training for 2015
3. Letter promoting 2015 JCCV Child Protection new series of training
4. Flyer promoting 2013 JCCV Safeguarding Children Seminar (as mentioned above)
5. Expressions of Interest – for JCCV Child Protection Training in 2015
6. Media release issued after 2013 JCCV Safeguarding Children Seminar
7. Flyer promoting 2014 JCCV Child Protection training

If you have any further need for information, please do not hesitate to contact me on david@jccv.org.au, 03 9272 5579 or **REDACTED**

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