



Timeline of Ministerial PJPs in Australia

Catholic Healthcare was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Bishops of the Province of Sydney. They sponsor residential aged care, community services retirement living, communities, healthcare and related services (in NSW and QLD). Many of these ministries were previously sponsored by a range of other Catholic organisations including: the Brigidine Sisters; Sisters of St Joseph, Perthville; Sisters of St Joseph NSW; Sisters of Perpetual Adoration; Sisters of Mercy, Bathurst; Sisters of Mercy Nth Sydney and a number of dioceses, parishes, and community groups.

St John of God Australia Ltd was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Bishops of the Ecclesiastical Province of Perth at the instigation of the Sisters of St John of God, the founding congregation of St John of God Health Care. It is the canonical sponsor of hospitals/health facilities, as well as various disability and community care services (situated in Vic, NSW, W.A. and internationally). Many of these ministries were previously sponsored by a range of other Catholic organisations including: the Sisters of St John of God, Hospitaller Brothers of St John of God, Sisters of Mercy (Perth and Melbourne), Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart, Franciscan Missionary Sisters of the Divine Motherhood, Sisters of St Joseph of the Apparition and Daughters of Charity.

Calvary Ministries Ltd was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Apostolic See. They sponsor Little Company of Mary Health Care's public/private hospitals, retirement/aged care facilities and community care (in S.A. Tas, Vic, NSW and N.T.). Many of these ministries were previously sponsored by the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary.

Edmund Rice Education Australia was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Apostolic See. The Trustees of Edmund Rice Education Australia was established as its civil entity in 2013. The members of Council are the canonical and civil stewards of schools and educational establishments (in every State and Territory) including those which were previously sponsored by the Christian Brothers.

Sophia Education Ministries was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Apostolic See. They sponsor schools (in QLD, Vic, and NSW) which were previously sponsored by the Sisters of the Society of the Sacred Heart.

1994

2001

MercyCare was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Archbishop of Perth. They sponsor aged care, early learning, Aboriginal, disability, family and community care (in W.A). Many of these ministries were previously sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy Perth Congregation.

2004

2008

Mary Aikenhead Ministries was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Apostolic See. They sponsor St Vincent's Health Australia's public and private hospitals, aged care facilities, research institutes and community care facilities (in Vic, NSW and QLD) and Mary Aikenhead Education Australia's Colleges (in Vic, NSW and QLD). Many of these ministries were previously sponsored by the Sisters of Charity of Australia.

Mercy Partners was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Apostolic See. They are the sponsors and owners of a variety of Queensland and NSW based ministries: schools, public and private hospitals, a range of health services and retirement/aged care facilities and community care ministries. Many of these ministries were previously sponsored by: the Sisters of Mercy (QLD), Sisters of Mercy (Parramatta), Presentation Sisters (QLD) and Missionary Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception.

2009

2011

Good Samaritan Education was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Archbishop of Sydney. They sponsor schools (in Vic, QLD, and NSW) which were previously sponsored by the Sisters of the Good Samaritan.

Kildare Ministries was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Apostolic See. They sponsor schools and community services (in S.A. Vic, QLD, and NSW) which were previously sponsored by the Brigidine Sisters (Vic and NSW) and the Presentation Sisters (Vic).

2012

2015

Dominican Education Australia Ltd was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Apostolic See. They sponsor educational ministries (in S.A. Vic, and NSW) which were previously sponsored by three congregations of Dominican sisters.

2016

2021

Mercy Ministry Companions was established as a Public Juridic Person by the Apostolic See. They sponsor health, aged care, educational and community service ministries across Australia, which were formerly sponsored by the Institute of Sisters of Mercy Australia and Papua New Guinea.