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FOR EMERGENCY MEDICINE

## STATEMENT

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# STATEMENT ON CLIMATE CHANGE

## 1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This document is a statement of the Australasian College for Emergency Medicine (ACEM) and relates to the effect and impact climate change has on health.

ACEM views this topic as being of such importance to health that it has developed a Climate Change Statement.

ACEM recognises the potential for man-made climate change to contribute to global warming and increased frequency and severity of natural disasters.

ACEM recognises the significant effects global warming has on world disease patterns.

## 2. STATEMENT

The Australasian College for Emergency Medicine support efforts to minimise the impact of climate change and actively adopts measures to reduce its carbon footprint. This is based on the need to have an increased awareness and preparedness for both the likely health impact of climate change and disasters we may see as a consequence.

## 3. DATES AND NOTES

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