

FACT SHEET: REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

If the disclosure is about sexual abuse of a CHILD:

Mandatory reporting

Applies to everyone. Report to Strong Families, Safe Kids Advice and Referral line: 1800 000 123 or Tas Police: 131 444

To NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission if you are an NDIS provider or if the abuse occurred in the course of receiving an NDIS service:

https://www.ndiscommission.gov.au/providers/ndis-commission-portal

To AHPRA if the person who is alleged to have committed the sexual abuse is a registered health professional and you are a registered practitioner or an employer of a registered practitioner: <u>Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency - Making a mandatory</u> <u>notification (ahpra.gov.au)</u>

Voluntary reporting

Reporting of child sexual abuse is **mandatory** for everybody.

If the person is now an adult but the abuse occured in childhood, the victim-survivor is advised to report childhood abuse to the **Strong Families, Safe Kids Advice and Referral line, ph 1800 000 123**.

Anyone can make a report to the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission or to AHPRA.



FACT SHEET: REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

If the disclosure is about sexual abuse of an ADULT:

Mandatory reporting

To NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission if you are an NDIS provider or if the abuse occurred in the course of receiving an NDIS service:

https://www.ndiscommission.gov.au/providers/ndis-commission-portal

To Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission, if you are an Aged Care provider or if the abuse occurred in the course of receiving aged care service:

https://www.health.gov.au/resources/apps-and-tools/my-aged-careservice-provider-portal

To AHPRA if the person who is alleged to have committed the sexual abuse is a registered health professional and you are a registered practitioner or an employer of a registered practitioner:

<u>Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency - Making a mandatory</u> <u>notification (ahpra.gov.au)</u>

Voluntary reporting

Anyone can make a report to Police if they are concerned about a person being abused.

However, it is essential that ANY person disclosing abuse is supported to make **their own decision** about reporting. Always follow supported decision-making principles so that you avoid further disempowering a victim-survivor.

If the person is now an adult but the abuse occured in childhood the victim-survivor is advised to report childhood abuse to the **Strong Families, Safe Kids Advice and Referral line, ph 1800 000 123.**