

Reporting Suspected Child Abuse And Disclosures

Issue or Concern	Report to:
General Suspicions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head ministry leader* (church ministry) • Principal* (school ministry)
Child or young person currently at risk of significant harm (including where they are showing suicidal or self-harming behaviours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Protection Helpline (132 111) <i>If possible, discuss with your head ministry leader or senior minister (or Principal) first* and use the Mandatory Reporter Guide.</i> • Police <i>Contact the police first if the situation requires emergency assistance.</i> • Office of Safe Ministry <i>Contact the OSM where the alleged perpetrator is a church worker (paid or unpaid).</i>
Knowledge of relevant criminal offences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police • Office of Safe Ministry <i>Contact the OSM where the alleged perpetrator is a church worker (paid or unpaid).</i>
Child abuse by a church worker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Minister*/church worker's employer • Anglican Abuse Report line (1800 77 49 45) • Police
<p>Contact the Office of Safe Ministry if you are unsure of what to do in any circumstance or where an allegation is regarding the Senior Minister.</p> <p>In an emergency, call 000</p>	

* Do not report to the head ministry leader, senior minister or Principal if the allegation is against them