

STATEMENT

The Australian Federal Police (AFP) have released information about a 26-year-old man being charged with allegedly producing child abuse material through his employment at out-of-school hours care (OSHC) facilities in the Northern Sydney region between April 2021 and May 2024.

This is deeply troubling. I understand the distress this is causing our community and the parents and carers who want to know that their children will be safe and protected when in the care of others.

All impacted families have been contacted by the AFP and NSW Health, and support services have been offered and will continue to be provided.

As a community, we need reassurance that further child safety measures will be put in place to ensure our children remain safe. Following the passage of new legislation to strengthen child care safety this week, I will continue working with the Government on further reforms—including the establishment of a national child care worker registration scheme and database, and an Early Childhood Education and Care Commission.

Parents and carers can access [Operation Arctile](#) on the AFP website, which has been activated for information on the locations and time periods of the man's employment, for advice on appropriate support services, and who to contact if further assistance is needed.

Please reach out to my office via sophie.scamps.mp@aph.gov.au or 9913 9566 should you need assistance at this difficult time. We are here to help and support you.

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