

It's never ok to be assaulted at work.

Being assaulted at work is not acceptable. If you are verbally or physically assaulted it's important you report every incident as a hazard through your internal reporting system.

It can cause serious physical, mental, and emotional harm. In too many Aged Care workplaces, assaults by residents are not treated seriously or are even dismissed as just being part of the job.

By law, your employer must take steps to prevent you from being assaulted at work.

If you are assaulted:

Notify your employer immediately.
Follow up in writing with an email or incident report, and keep a copy for yourself.

If your employer does not take steps to prevent further assaults, contact the Health Services Union on 1300 478 679.

Assault is a crime. If you believe you have been assaulted, you can make a complaint to the Police (call 131 444). You can not be punished for making a complaint to the police about a crime.



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