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A 45-year-old Bundaberg woman has been charged by the NDIS Fraud Taskforce with an offence of allegedly defrauding the Scheme of close to \$109,000 while operating as a service provider.

The NDIS Fraud Taskforce is a multi-agency partnership between the Australian Federal Police (AFP), the NDIA and Services Australia, with a focus on high risk and serious criminal activity targeting the NDIS.

The three-month NDIS Taskforce investigation identified the alleged fraud, believed to have occurred between August 2018 and November 2019, with three Queensland NDIS participants affected.

Fraud is a crime. The National Disability Insurance Agency has zero tolerance for fraud against the NDIS and its participants.

The NDIA would like to reassure participants, their families and carers that Taskforce activities are the result of work by a range of agencies committed to preventing, identifying and investigating fraud, and we will not tolerate the misuse of funds intended to support people with disability.

Anyone with concerns that fraud is being committed against the NDIS should contact the NDIS fraud hotline on 1800 650 717.

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