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## **Statement from the Board of Directors of the Ontario Association of Child and Youth Care (OACYC)**

The Ontario Association of Child and Youth Care is deeply concerned by the allegations involving an employee at an Oshawa group home and extends its thoughts to the young person and all those impacted.

Incidents such as these highlight the importance of strong accountability measures and reinforce the OACYC's longstanding advocacy for the regulation of Child and Youth Care professionals in Ontario. Regulation is fundamentally about public protection. Children, youth, and families deserve assurance that those entrusted with their care are held to clear professional standards and accountable through independent oversight.

The individual identified in media reports is not known to be a member of the OACYC.

This matter reinforces the Ontario Association of Child and Youth Care's longstanding position that the regulation of Child and Youth Care professionals is essential to protecting children, youth, and families. Regulation establishes clear standards of practice, enforceable ethical obligations, and independent oversight and accountability mechanisms that help safeguard those receiving care.

The OACYC remains steadfast in its advocacy for professional regulation as a critical public protection measure for children and youth in Ontario.

### **Board of Directors**

Ontario Association of Child and Youth Care (OACYC)

### **Sources:**

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