

Early Learning and Childcare Facility Inspection Report

Type of Inspection:
Monitoring Inspection

Pursuant to section 21 of the *Early Childhood Services Act*, operators of licensed early learning and childcare facilities must post their most recent inspection report in a clearly visible and prominent place in the facility.

Name of operator HAMILTON HOMESTYLE DAYCARE LTD.	Licence Number 2008692	Inspection Date August 24, 2022
Facility Name HAMILTON HOMESTYLE DAYCARE		Telephone Number (506) 652-9822
Address 70 Gault Road Saint John NB E2M 5H2		
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Jodi Hennessey		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
49(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that the guidance of the children receiving services at the licensed facility is positive and includes positive reinforcement, encouraging efforts and recognizing accomplishments.	49(1)	Aug 26, 2022	
<p>Comments: Visit occurred on July 26, 2022 to address concerns regarding positive child guidance. Positive child guide techniques were not being used in the 15-23 month age room.</p> <p>During visit to facility on July 26, 2022, it was observed on educator in the two year old room speaking in a harsh tone to the children in her care. Was immediately discussed with administrator who indicated she spoke with the educator.</p> <p>Recommendations given at time of scheduled visit on August 11, 2022 not completed. Original comply by date of August 11, 2022.</p> <p>Operator indicated that due to staff being ill and on vacation this was not completed.</p>			
49(2) An operator of a licensed facility shall ensure that no child receiving services at the licensed facility is subjected to any form of physical punishment or verbal or emotional abuse or is denied physical necessities.	49(2)	Aug 26, 2022	
<p>Comments: Through conversations with educators it has been determined that positive child guidance techniques were not being followed and the facility did not ensure that no child sustain physical punishment, verbal or emotional abuse.</p> <p>It has also been determined that the operator of the childcare facility did not prevent this from occurring when educators addressed this concern with them.</p> <p>Recommendations given at time of scheduled visit on August 11, 2022 not completed. Original comply by date of August 11, 2022.</p> <p>Operator indicated that due to staff being ill and on vacation this was not completed.</p>			

General Comments
An unannounced monitoring inspection was conducted today as a follow-up to the monitoring inspection conducted on August 11, 2022.

General Comments

Recommendations that were made regarding "All staff members are to be aware that mandatory reporting of child abuse is required under the Family Services Act and that a report to the Department of Social Development is necessary" .

Operator indicated that due to staff being ill and on vacation this was not completed.

Also, "The operator has the responsibility to set clear policies for staff members that abusive behaviours are not tolerated. The operator is to establish procedures for dealing with staff members who are suspected of abusing a child, such as:

- *dismissing any staff member who uses physical punishment, or who verbally or emotionally abuses a child, or withholds any physical necessity;

- *reporting the incident to the Department of Social Development who determine next steps;

- *informing ELC licensing staff of any abuse of a child by a staff member; and

- *completing an Incident Report form (Appendix 12).

Operator indicated that due to staff being ill and on vacation this was not completed.

"All staff must review section 8.2 Child Guidance in the Operator's Manual and sign off that they understand their role in keeping children safe. This is to be maintained in each staff file and dated."

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These recommendations must be completed in a timely manner to ensure compliance with the Early Childhood Services Act and its Regulations.

original signed by
Jodi Hennessey

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

August 24, 2022

Date

original signed by
Heather Hamilton

Signature of Operator/Designate

August 24, 2022

Date