

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 Mattea Kennedy	Licence Number 2021091	Inspection Date March 04, 2022	
Facility Name Little Ducklings		Telephone Number (506) 282-3095	
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Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Megan Munden		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor	

Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
24(1) For the purposes of subsection 20(1) of the Act, the following records and documents shall be maintained on the premises of a licensed facility: (b) child records that include: (i) the child's name, address, birth date and Medicare number, Comments: Please add medicare number to child's file	24(1)(b)(i)	Mar 07, 2022	
24(1) For the purposes of subsection 20(1) of the Act, the following records and documents shall be maintained on the premises of a licensed facility: (b) child records that include: (v) the child's health history and a copy of the record of immunizations or a copy of an exemption. Comments: Please ensure immunization records are in child's file	24(1)(b)(v)	Mar 07, 2022	
30(3) An operator shall maintain the indoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children. Comments: Please see general comments	30(3)	Mar 07, 2022	
39(2) A licensed facility shall have a separate locked storage space that is inaccessible to the children for each of the following: (a) toxic products, chemical products and cleaning supplies; Comments: Please lock up prescription medicine under lock and key	39(2)(a)	Mar 04, 2022	
47(1) An operator of a licensed facility shall refuse admission to a child if satisfactory proof of the immunizations required by the Public Health Act or the regulations under that Act is not provided. Comments: Please ensure immunization records are provided prior to the child's first day	47(1)	Mar 07, 2022	
48(3) An operator of a licensed facility shall provide weekly menus to a parent or guardian of a child at least three days in advance of serving the food and shall modify the food served in the case of special nutritional requirements of a child. Comments: Please mark down substitutions and post correct menu for which week you are on	48(3)	Mar 04, 2022	

General Comments

This was the operator's first monitoring visit since being licensed in November.

Her parent board is updated with her March Newsletter. The newsletter looks great and has some wonderful activities on it. Please switch the Menu to the correct week and mark substitutions accordingly.

Today's scheduled snack was strawberry and banana muffins and yogurt. The operator did not have any muffins so she served strawberries and bananas with yogurt instead which is also a nice snack. I spoke with the operator about simplifying her menu to ensure she is serving snacks that are easy to prepare. She has many healthy options however my recommendation is to make it more realistic for an early learning childcare home.

I also recommend that when children are done snack before the younger children that they have some options provided to them in the kitchen at the small or big table instead of just waiting. Puzzles, books, coloring are just a few ideas.

Child files were checked and the medicare number, expiry date and immunization record was missing from one file and the immunization record was missing from another as well.

The operator's main play space is warm and inviting. The play space has the children's photos and process art posted. There is a new shelf with bins for toys and materials and is easily accessible to the children.

I observed the educator reading with the children and talking to them about their interests. She is patient and speaks to the children in a kind manner.

While the main entrance and play area are clean and there is evidence of regular cleaning, this was not observed in the kitchen or bathroom. Daily cleaning is required.

Dinner dishes from the night before and leftover food were observed in the sink and on the stove in a pot. The table, stove top and counters were not clean. The microwave was heavily soiled and must be clean as it used to warm up children's lunches. Please ensure that the kitchen space is cleaned daily and tidied up prior to the start of daycare. This is important as snacks are prepared in the kitchen by the operator. The operator did wash some of the dishes during snack but this must be done prior to the daycare opening.

There was prescription medication in a cupboard near the fridge. Although out of reach, this must be under lock and key.

The vent on the wall by the bathroom door is covered with heavy dust. Please clean.

The metal floor track in the doorway to the daycare space is exposed. Please nail this down and ensure that the doorway has a smooth surface to prevent injury to children.

The bathroom requires a deep cleaning and must be maintained clean and sanitary on a daily basis. The toilet and sink were very soiled and need to be cleaned. There were razors and Windex in cabinets and although out of reach of children, must still be kept secure by lock and key.

Please ensure that all areas of the home that are used by the children are kept clean as they are part of the daycare space.

I spoke with the operator about the importance of cleaning the diaper changing pad with the proper strength cleaning solution (either Quat or Bleach/Water to ensure disinfection. She has been using hand soap and water after changing both wet and soiled diapers. In addition- toys, table tops, and other cleaning must be completed with either Quat or Bleach/Water.

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Megan Munden

March 04, 2022

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

Date

Signature of Operator/Designate

Date