

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 CHERYL'S HOME AWAY FROM HOME DAYCARE LTD.	Licence Number 2018607	Inspection Date March 27, 2025	
Facility Name CHERYL'S HOME AWAY FROM HOME DAYCARE VILLA		Telephone Number (506) 639-3096	
Address 185 Loch Lomond Road Saint John NB E2J 3Z6			
Name of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff Robyn Nelson		Position Title Quality Assurance Monitor	
Order for Compliance	Regulation	Date to be corrected	Date corrected
31(3) An operator shall maintain the outdoor play area of a licensed facility to ensure the safety of the children.	31(3)	Mar 27, 2025	
Comments: Standing water observed in open outdoor containers. Ensure standing water is drained before children interact with outdoor materials.			

General Comments
<p>A Monitoring Inspection occurred on March 27, 2025.</p> <p>During the inspection, children were observed engaged in both indoor and outdoor free play, as well as during snack time and transitions to lunch. Proper handwashing procedures were observed during snack time and the transition inside. The facility provides steps or platforms to enable children to reach regular-sized toilets and sinks, ensuring accessibility for all children.</p> <p>Educators shared that the children are currently interested in visiting the "nannys and grampys" at the Loch Lomond Villa, exploring a Villa Kids Hospital dramatic play center, painting with salad spinners to create open-ended art, and discovering new languages and print through bilingual storybooks. Educators were observed using positive language and offering gentle reminders to guide the children's behavior.</p> <p>The facility maintains a daily incident log, and parents of children attending the center are granted entry at any time. Outdoor play is conducted for at least one hour within each four-hour block of time when the majority of children are in attendance, weather permitting. Monthly emergency evacuation drills are completed and posted, while evacuation procedures are clearly visible in a prominent location. Life-threatening allergies are also posted. The center ensures that snacks are provided at least three hours apart, and meals are provided during recognized meal periods.</p> <p>The facility has well-defined learning and play areas, with several pieces of children's artwork displayed throughout. A sensory area is available, and the sand is in sufficient quantity for play, with accessories provided and rotated regularly. Traffic areas, including outdoor walkways, are clean and free of clutter. Diaper changing procedures are posted and clearly visible to staff responsible for diaper changes.</p> <p>In terms of curriculum, the facility offers both individual and group experiences for the children. Various forms of literacy are incorporated into the indoor environment, and opportunities for creative expression, exploration of</p>

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arts and sciences, problem-solving, and developing trusting, respectful relationships are consistently provided. Educators also extend the curriculum outdoors and strive to integrate elements of the natural world into the classroom such as a butterfly life cycle.

A conversation was held with the Administrator to discuss the strengths and needs of the facility. The identified strengths include the extension of the curriculum outdoors, the presence of several forms of documentation throughout the facility, and the community outreach efforts with the long-term care facility. However, some areas for improvement were noted, including the need for the new license to be issued and posted once received. Additionally, one cot was found to be in disrepair and will be repaired, paint chips along the wall were observed, algae growth was found in the outdoor area, steps to sinks need to be cleaned, and some minor maintenance tasks need to be addressed on the fence.

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Robyn Nelson

Signature of Early Learning and Childcare Licensing Staff

March 27, 2025

Date

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Robyn Lewis

Signature of Operator/Designate

March 27, 2025

Date