Health and Medical Supervision Accident Reporting Policy 4.7 Revision Date: September 2017, May 2023 Accident Reporting Policy 4.7 (Previously Policy # 1.35)

POLICY

North Hastings Children's Services has an established practice to protect children's safety both in the program space and the outdoor playground.

PROCEDURE

- 1. The staffing schedule ensures that adequate staff/child ratios allow staff to adequately supervise children both in the program space and in the playground.
- 2. All new equipment and renovations, repairs or replacements will be installed to meet the CSA standards.
- 3. A playground safety log is maintained.
 - A playground injury report form is completed for any injury to a child while on the playground.
 - If the injury is a serious occurrence, the injury report form will be attached to the serious occurrence forms and the appropriate policies and procedures will be followed.
 - Daily, monthly, seasonal and annual playground inspections are completed.
- a) Daily inspections will be completed by front line program staff in their designated play area.
- b) Monthly and Seasonal inspections will be completed by the Child Care Coordinator.
- c) Annual inspections will be completed by a Certified Playground Safety Inspector who has current certification by the Canadian Playground Safety Institute, is a third party inspector, and has proof of current Professional Errors and Omissions insurance coverage.
- d) Action Plans will be noted in the written inspection reports.
- 4. An indoor program space safety log is maintained. For the purpose of the application of this policy, Injury is defined as when a child has a physical injury that leaves a visible mark and any injury that requires first aid.
 - An Accident Report Form is completed for any injury to a child while attending the program.

- Parent and Staff signed copies of the Accident Report Form is to be made for: Parent, Child's File, Injury Log, Playground Injury Log (if applicable).
- If the injury is a serious occurrence, the injury report form will be attached to the serious occurrence forms and the appropriate policies and procedures will be followed.
- The Injury needs to be noted in the Daily Written Record/Log in the classroom.
- 5. Program staff is responsible for ensuring the indoor program space is safe on a daily basis.
- 6. The Child Care Coordinator (or designate) is responsible for overseeing the above is completed.