



Green Planet Daycare Abuse Policy

- Any staff/ volunteer in Green Planet Daycare who suspects that a child has been abused or is at risk of abuse should inform the supervisor immediately and call the ministry at this number: (604) 310-1234
- No staff/ student/ volunteer in Green Planet Daycare will advise someone to not report suspicions of child abuse or try to stop the person from reporting or consulting with the appropriate ministry.
- If any of these abuses are alleged whether it happened inside or outside daycare, Green Planet Daycare has the responsibility to report to licensing ministry.

Emotional Abuse: Emotional Abuse can severely damage a child's mental health or social development, leaving lifelong psychological scars.

Examples of emotional child abuse including:

- Shaming, humiliating the child.
- Calling names and making negative comparisons to others.
- Telling the child, he or she is "no good", "worthless", "bad" or "a mistake".
- Frequent yelling, threatening and bullying.
- Limited physical contact with the child- no hugs, kisses, or other signs of affection.
- Exposing the child or the abuse of others, whether it be the abuse of the parent, a sibling or even a pet.

Child Neglect: A very common type of child abuse- is a pattern of failing to provide for a child's basic needs, whether it be adequate food, clothing, hygiene, or supervision. Child neglect is not always easy to spot.

Physical Child Abuse: Physical abuse involves physical harm or injury to the child. It may be the result of a deliberate attempt to hurt the child, but not always. It can also result from severe discipline, such as using a belt on a child, or physical punishment that is inappropriate to the child's age or physical condition.

Child Sexual Abuse: Child sexual abuse is an especially complicated form of abuse because of its layers of guilt and shame. It is important to recognize that sexual abuse does not always involve body contact. Exposing a child to sexual situations or material is sexually abusive, whether touching is involved.

X _____
Parent/ Guardian Signature

X _____
Date