

Administration of First Aid Policy:

POLICY STATEMENT:

Grays Point Activity Centre will provide and maintain a high level of care for children attending the Centre. GPAC will ensure that necessary Educators will be suitably qualified in Emergency First Aid Management and that First Aid equipment and support will be available to all children, Educators and visitors to the Service and whilst on excursions. Ideally, all permanent Educators will undertake Senior First Aid, Asthma Management and Anaphylaxis Management Training to ensure full and proper care of all is maintained ('My Time, Our Place' outcome 3).

PROCEDURES:

- The Nominated Supervisor is responsible for ensuring that a minimum of one Educator who is currently qualified in Senior First Aid, Asthma Management and Anaphylaxis Management is present at Grays Point Activity Centre at all times and educating and caring for children.
- The Centre will endeavour to have all Educators holding a current First Aid Qualification.
- A current First Aid Certificate or willingness to undergo training will be advertised for all new positions.
- The Centre will budget for the cost of the First Aid Course or renewal for each Educator as part of the training budget.
- A fully stocked and updated First Aid Kit will be kept in the designated secure place in the Centre. Educators are to ensure that this is easily accessible to all Educators and Volunteers and kept inaccessible to the children.
- A separate travelling First Aid Kit will be also maintained and taken on all excursions and outdoor activities.
- The First Aid Kit will contain the minimum equipment suggested by the Red Cross or St John's Ambulance and a First Aid Manual will be kept at the Centre.
- A cold pack will be kept in the freezer for treatment of bruises and swelling.
- An inventory of the kits will be maintained and checked on a minimum monthly basis and signed off by a Responsible Person. The checklists may be requested for sighting by Management or from the NSW Regulatory Authority.
- An Educator will be designated the duty of maintaining the kits to ensure that they are fully stocked, and that all items are within the use by date.
- At orientation, Educators and Volunteers will be made aware of the First Aid Kit, where it is kept and their responsibilities in relation to it.
- Qualified First Aiders will only administer First Aid in minor accidents or to stabilise the victim until expert assistance arrives in more serious accidents.

- Telephone numbers of emergency contacts, local Doctor and poisons Centre will be located next to the phone.
- In the event of an Emergency, the Educator administering the First Aid must not leave the patient until Emergency Services or the parent arrives. A second Educator should make all emergency calls.

In the case of a minor accident, the first aid attendant will:

1. Reassure the child.
2. Assess the injury.
3. Attend to the injured person and apply First Aid as required.
4. Ensure that disposable gloves are used with any contact with blood or bodily fluids.
5. Ensure that all blood or bodily fluids are cleaned up and disposed of in a safe manner as per the Dealing with Infectious Diseases Policy.
6. Ensure that anyone who has come in contact with any blood or fluids washes their hands thoroughly in warm soapy water.
7. Record the incident and treatment given in the IIIT book (incident, injury, illness, and trauma) recording the following details:
 - Name and age of child.
 - Date, time, and location of incident.
 - Description of injury and circumstances of how it occurred, including witnesses.
 - Treatment given and name and signature of first aid attendant.
 - Details of any medical personnel contacted.
 - Name and details of any parent or emergency contact notified or attempted to notify.
 - Time and date of report and name and signature of a person making report
 - Name and signature of the Responsible Person.
8. Notify the parents either by phone after the incident if seen fit or on their arrival to collect the child.
9. Parental signature confirming knowledge of the “Incident, injury, trauma and illness record” form will be gained at the soonest possible convenience.
 - Where the Service has had to administer First Aid and the incident is deemed serious as per Regulation 12, the Responsible Person will ensure that the steps outlined in the “Management of Incident, Injury, Illness and Trauma” Policy are followed, and the Regulatory Authority is notified within 24 hours of either the incident or them becoming aware of the incident.

CONSIDERATIONS:

Education and Care Services National Law & Regulations	National Quality Standards & Elements	Links to other service Policies	Other documentation/ evidence
R85, 86, 87, 89, 90, 91, 97 National Law S167, S174	Standards 2.1 and 2.2 Elements 2.1.2 and 2.2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent Handbook • Staff Handbook • Providing a Child Safe Environment Policy • Excursion Policy • Management of Incident, Injury and Trauma Policy • Dealing with Infectious Disease Policy • Dealing with Medical Conditions and Medical Administration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - My Time, Our Place Framework - ACECQA “Frequently Asked Questions” - Parent Handbook - Staff Handbook - Risk Assessments

ENDORSEMENT BY THE SERVICE:

Approval Date: _____

Date for Review: _____

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