

Interior Health Authority
Child Care – Unlawful – Licensing
Summary Report of Substantiated Complaint

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| <p>Facility Name Beacons Furry FUNdation Society</p> <p>Facility Address 202-3710 Hoskins Rd West Kelowna BC V4T 2H8</p> | <p>Facility # F-2024-51606</p> <p>Facility Phone (250) 681-9201</p> <p>Licensee Manager Beacons Furry FUNdation Society Corinne Inman</p> |
| <p>Inspection Date 08-Jan-2024</p> | |
| <p>Reason for Investigation Substantiated complaint</p> | |
| <p>Service Type Unlawful facility</p> | <p>Maximum Capacity N/A</p> |

Report of Findings

As per Section 15 (1)(b)(i) of the Community Care and Assisted Living Act, Licensing is mandated to follow up on all complaints of any premise that is operating an unlicensed community care facility. The purpose of this inspection is to follow up a complaint received by Licensing on December 22, 2023.

The complaint involved allegations of noncompliance to the following sections of the Community Care and Assisted Living Act –Section 1: Definitions -“community care facility” means a premises or part of a premises in which a person provides care to 3 or more persons who are not related by blood or marriage to the person and includes any other premises or part of a premises that, in the opinion of the medical health officer, is used in conjunction with the community care facility for the purpose of providing care; Section 5: Operating or advertising without a licence - A person who does not hold a licence must not (a) operate, or hold themselves out as operating, a community care facility, (b) provide, or hold themselves out as providing, care in a community care facility, or (c) accommodate, or hold themselves out as accommodating, a person who, in the opinion of a medical health officer, requires care in a community care facility.

Based on the licensing officer’s observations, a review of the facility records and information provided by the individuals present at the time of inspection, it has been confirmed that a contravention to Section 5 of the Community Care and Assisted Living Act has occurred at 202-3710 Hoskins Road. Contravention to Section 5 may be subject to actions as outlined in Section 33 of the Community Care and Assisted Living Act, which states: Offence and penalty -33 (1) A person who contravenes section 5, 6, 18 (2) or (3) or 26 (1) of this Act or a term or condition attached to a licence commits an offence. (2) A person who commits an offence under subsection (1) is liable to a fine of up to \$10, 000. (3) If an offence under subsection (1) is of a continuing nature, each day that the offence continues constitutes a separate offence. Only issues of non-compliance relating to the unlawful operation are detailed in the body of this inspection report.

Immediate compliance to Section 5 of the Community Care and Assisted Living Act is required. Written confirmation must be submitted to licensingdirect@interiorhealth.ca prior to January 10, 2024 at 9:00a.m.

Observed Contraventions

Evidence for this report was based on a combination of the Licensing Officer’s observations, a review of facility records and information provided by the facility staff at the time of the complaint investigation, as appropriate.

C11 - Initial

C11.7 - Is the facility operating legally under the Act?

No

Follow up by: 1/10/2024 12:00:00 AM

At the time of inspection, Licensing observed five children in care not related by blood or marriage. They were engaged in paper mache crafts. One of the children was observed to be eating their snack while doing the craft. The operator described the activities that they provide children such as paper mache on Mondays, games on Tuesdays, Around the World on Wednesdays. The operator further explained that on Wednesday, children will learn about "London" such as terminologies they use for police officers and community helpers. Additionally, there will be a craft that is related to the theme. As indicated on their website, the operator shared that "Thoughtful Thursdays" activity involves children in talking about topics such as anti-bullying. They further explained that activities are conducted for an hour from 3:15p.m.-4:15.p.m. or 4:30p.m.-5:30p.m. Licensing determined that these activities described do not meet the criteria of an exempted program. Child Care Licensing Regulation 3 (1) (b)

Received By:

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Follow up date, if required