Dromawling Respite Annual Report 2023



Why do we have this report?

This report outlines the quality and safety of St. Paul's Dromawling respite.

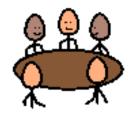


It is a HIQA requirement.



1. Individualised Support and Care

Each child has their own Personalised Centred Plan (PCP). This has lots of information about their wants and needs.



The Rights Review Committee makes sure the children's rights are protected.



Each child has their own bedroom in Dromawling.



Staff help children communicate using totsl communication, Lamh, objects, pictures and devices.



Children are supported to make choices about activities, routines and foods.



Families are welcome to get involved in the service through group meetings and information sessions.



Feedback from parents is important in Dromawling. Parents are given a questionnaire every year.
5 out of 19 families attending Dromawling gave feedback.
The feedback was very good.



Parents and children can make complaints about the service.
Dromawling got no complaints in 2023.



Theme 2: Effective Service



Every child has their own personal plan.



Dromawling house is homely and a nice place for the children 19 children that attend. It has a nice garden. A sensory room and very welcoming living space



There are 19 children using the Dromawling house.



Dromawling supports children as they get older and move to adult services.



Overnight respite continued for Dromawling for the whole year.



Every child that attends Dromawling has their own PCP. PCPs are reviewed every 6 months and there is 1 goal that is targeted.





Theme 3: Safe Service



Dromawling aims to have in place best practice & policies to deal with any issues.



A child protection committee meets every month.

There is a Safe Guarding Statement and Body Marks Policy.

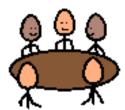
There was no report to Tusla in 2024 about a child attending Dromawling.



Dromawling staff attended training on Safe Guarding.



There is a health and safety audit. Dromawling got a score of 97%.



Health and Safety are discussed at various committee meetings.



There are regular Fire Safety checks.



There is a Hygiene and Environmental Audit which had excellent results of 92%



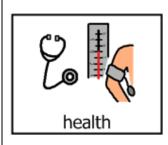
If an incident happens Dromawling staff report and analyse it. There were 12 incidents in Dromawling in 2023.



Medication process is audited monthly and any findings have been Low Risk.



Restrictive Practices are used as a last resort for children who are at risk. The ARC committee reviews restrictive practices regularly.



Theme 4: Health and Development

The health and development of each child is important in Dromawling.

Before a child starts in respite the staff meet with the child's parents to discuss their needs.



Every child has a 'Health Plan' in their PCP and this is reviewed every year.



All staff in Dromawling are trained in giving medication.

Medication for children is reviewed every month. Dromawling staff got a score of 98%.



All staff in Dromawling are trained in CPR and First Aid.



Children in Dromawling are given healthy meals which they enjoy.

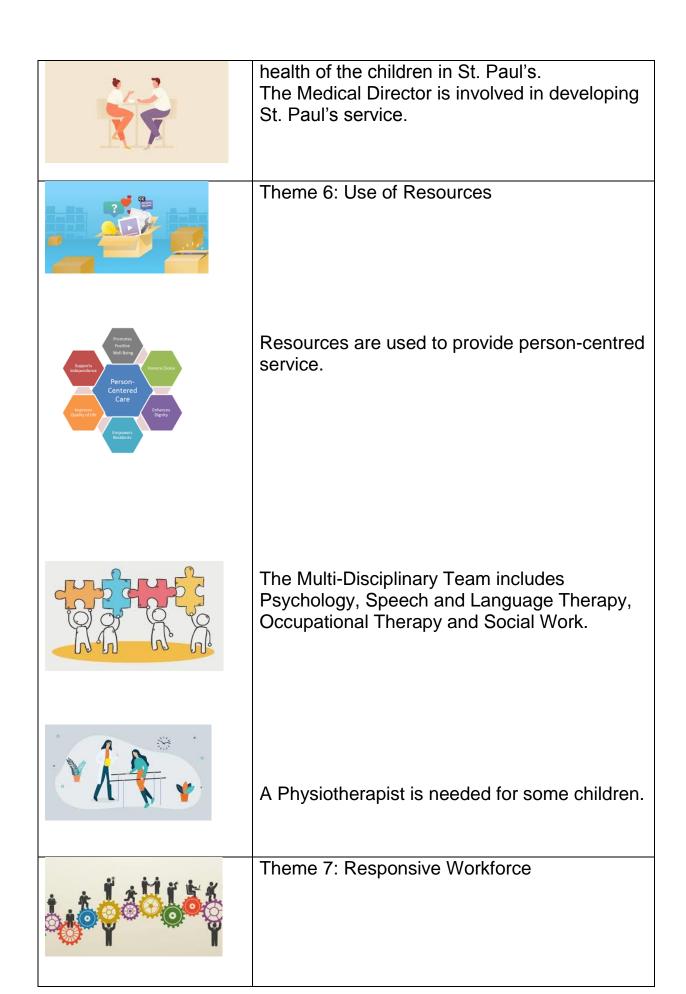


Dromawling tries to group children with similar interests.



Dromawling gets information from IEP meetings from parents and teachers.

	Children go to lots of fun places when they are in Dromawling. They got to parks, cafes, horse-riding, the beach and ice cream shops.
	Dromawling has an up-to-date Statement of Purpose.
************	Theme 5: Leadership, Governance and Management
HE	Dromawling follows national guidelines.
	Dromawling has clear management plan in place
read	Dromawling has a statement of purpose which is available for families to read.
	The Director of Service gives support and advice to the service. The Director of Service tries to improve the service for children and families.
	The Medical Director gives advice on mental





No new staff member started working in Dromawling in 2023.



Staff must have certain skills to work in Dromawling.



Staff get regular support and supervision



Staff get regular training to make sure their skills are up-to-date.



Theme 8: Use of information



Dromawling uses St. Paul's communication plan.



Information is used to plan and deliver a client-centred service.



Dromawling staff make sure there is good record-keeping and file management.