Policy Rationale
Standard hygiene precautions and the correct management of blood spills and other body fluids minimise the risks of transmission of infectious diseases including bacterial and viral infections.

Policy Aims
To provide a CCAE environment that uses safe practices in response to blood spills and other body fluids.

Procedure
- All staff at CCAE will be trained in standard infection control procedures.
- Charts displaying standard infection controls will be prominently displayed in appropriate places around CCAE.
- The CCAE will provide adequate first aid equipment including protective barriers such as disposable gloves, antiseptics, and disposable Expired Air Resuscitation face masks.
- The CCAE will provide pump action antiseptic soap, disinfectant, detergents, disposable wet wipes, heavy duty rubber gloves, disposable latex gloves and paper towel, plastic sealable garbage bags and sharps dispensers.
- All blood or body fluid spills will be attended to by a staff member immediately.
- All children who are bleeding must be treated immediately, unless inappropriate to do so.
- All blood or body fluid spills to be completely cleaned according to standard infection control procedures, including the sealing of all disposable materials into a plastic sealable garbage bags for disposal, thorough washing of all instruments in a disinfectant solution, thorough wiping down of all contaminated surfaces with warm water and detergent, and steam cleaning of areas such as carpets.
- All wounds will be treated, dressed and covered.
- Children will not be allowed to remain in, or return to normal CCAE activities with exposed blood or body fluids.
- CCAE will provide children with alternative clothing should their garments be infected with blood or body fluids.
- All parents will be made aware if their child has been treated, or if their child has been involved with another bleeding child.
- CCAE will carry out routine inspections of the CCAE grounds for dangerous objects such as discarded syringes, and will have a process in place for their removal and disposal.

Evaluation
This policy will be reviewed bi-annually