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Incident at Genesis Place Pool

AIRDRIE, ALBERTA – At approximately noon today, an incident took place involving a child at the City of Airdrie’s Genesis Place swimming pool. Lifeguards responded in a professional manner, using their skills until Emergency Medical Services arrived. The child was conscious and speaking to lifeguards when care was turned over to EMS. EMS transported the child to hospital.

“Our first priority was to provide immediate care for the child. Now that the child has been transported to hospital, we will ensure staff and the facility are ready to reopen,” said Greg Lockert, Manager, Recreation and Wellness, the City of Airdrie.

The pool will reopen at 4:30 pm with regularly scheduled lessons and programming.

“The other important step in our safety protocols is to ensure an independent review is completed and this process has been initiated,” added Lockert.

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