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*“All children in the CNMI will be safe, healthy, and thriving members of our culturally diverse community. Their families will have access to the high quality supports they need to achieve their potential.”*

## **Child Care Providers Attend the Health and Safety Training on Handling and Storage of Hazardous Materials and Appropriate Disposal of Bio-contaminants**

On Saturday, December 2, 2023, Russelle Mae Ignacio, Evergreen Learning Technical Assistance Specialist, facilitated a two-hour health and safety training to fourteen (14) ongoing childcare providers from Saipan on “*Handling and Storage of Hazardous Materials and Appropriate Disposal of Bio-contaminants*”.

This training provided information on health and safety standards in relation to hazardous materials and biological contaminants, how programs apply the standards, why young children are vulnerable to the dangers of hazardous materials and biological contaminants, the difference between hazardous materials and biological contaminants, strategies for proper handling and storage of hazardous materials, and ways of safely disposing of bio- contaminants.

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