

2 kids in Ontario allegedly poisoned at daycare

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(AP)—Canadian police have arrested a home daycare operator for allegedly poisoning two young children.

The Waterloo Regional Police Service said Monday Christine Allen, 32, administered an over-the-counter eye care product, which if ingested can cause abnormal drowsiness, <u>low blood pressure</u> and decreased <u>heart rates</u> in children.

Police say a <u>child</u> under her care was taken to hospital with serious physical symptoms in March. The child recovered but later returned to hospital at a later date with similar symptoms.

Detectives learned a second child become ill in 2010 with similar symptoms. Both recovered.

Allen ran a home daycare in Kitchener, Ontario from 2009 to 2011 and police are concerned other children may have been victimized.

Police charged Allen with aggravated assault and administering a noxious substance. She is in custody.

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