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British Columbia  
Chief Inspector of Welfare Institutions  
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The Department of the Provincial Secretary was responsible for health and welfare programs between 1907 and 1946, including the administration of the *Act Respecting Private Welfare Institutions*, passed in 1937. The Inspection of Welfare Institutions remained under the supervision of the Department of the Provincial Secretary until 1950, when it was transferred to the Department of Health and Welfare (Social Welfare Branch). In 1969, when the *Community Care Facilities Licensing Act* replaced the *Act Respecting Private Welfare Institutions*, this responsibility was transferred to the Ministry of Health.

These files give a tremendous amount of information relating to the development of community care facilities licensing and the activities of persons who were interested in the welfare of dependent groups. GR-2864 documents early work in placing discharged mental hospital patients into boarding homes, the development of standards for care, correspondence with the Community Chest and Council of Vancouver, several essays on the history of pre-school education in Vancouver and the administration of welfare institutions in British Columbia. The annual reports are useful because they contain more information than the published reports.

The files have been rearranged to facilitate access to the files which do not contain personal information. They were originally organized in alphabetical order.

These records were transferred to the British Columbia Archives and Records Service from the Ministry of Health in 1984.

Box	File code	Title	Dates
1	SUB/B	Boarding Homes - Shaughnessy	1956-1961
1	SUB/C	Committee on the welfare of the aged	1951-1966
1	SUB/C	Committee on the welfare of the aged sub-committee on housing	1956-1964
1		Community Chest & Council - Committee to study Day Care needs in the Greater Vancouver Area.	1964-1968
1		Gordon Campbell Preventorium	1938-1939
1	SUB/P	Policy	1961-1964
1	SUB/P	Pre-School Education - Blind children	1955-1959
1		Pre-School History - Vancouver	1958

1	SUB/P	Pre-School Standards	1959-1967
1	SUB/R	Report - Annual	1941-1970
2	SUB/B	Boarding Home Care for "transferred" patients from Riverview Hospital	1962-1969
2		Committee on Day Care	1963-1967
2	SUB/C	Courses in Pre-School Education - Victoria College evening division	1957-1967
2	SUB/C	Courses in Pre-School	1967-1969
2	SUB/C	Courses in Pre-School Education	1967-1969
2	SUB/H	History - Administration of Welfare Institutions	1940-1951
3	SUB/T	Treasury slips (licence fees)	1958-1960
3	SUB/T	Treasury slips & licence fees	1964-1967