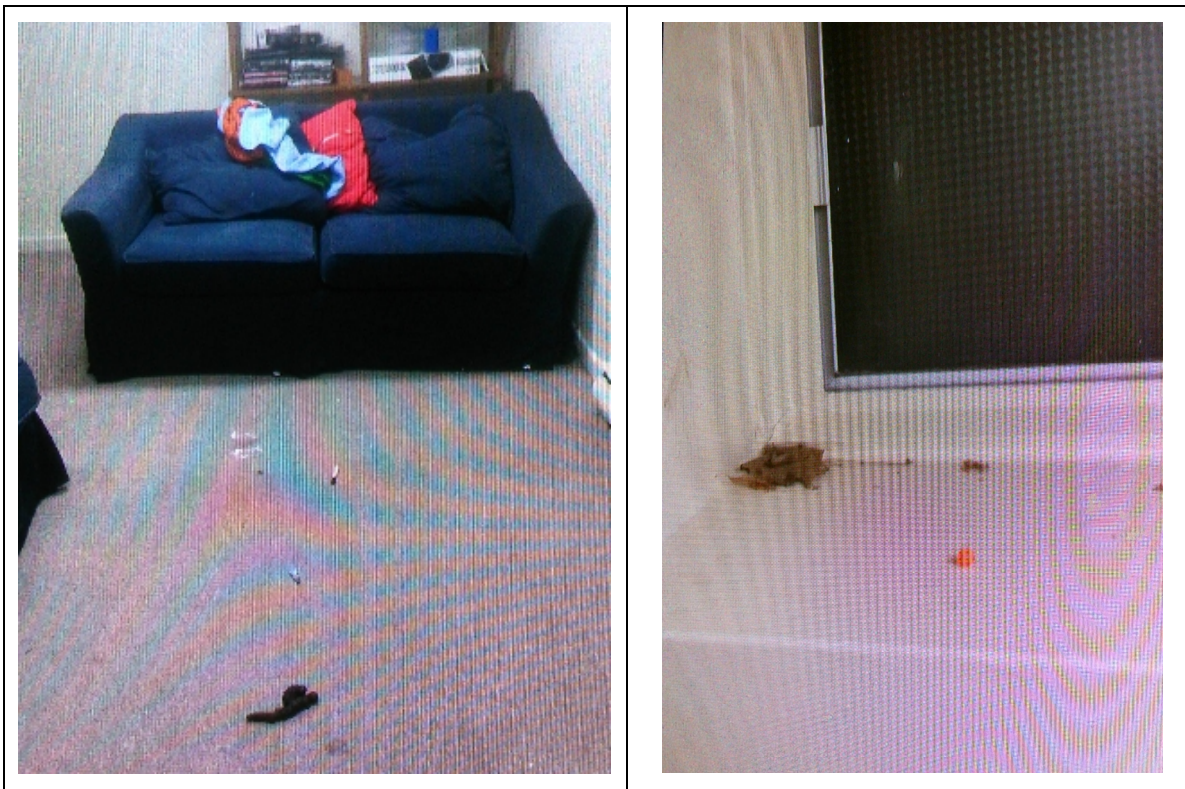


Substandard environment at the CAS foster home

16. I was certainly not impressed with the quality of the living conditions at the children's aid society foster home. Some of my experiences and observations while in care of the CAS were as follows:
17. The food was substandard compared to what I was used to eating at home with my father. Food was very poor quality and consisted of mostly canned and processed food. There was few fresh fruits and vegetables.
18. The foster mother had a dog which sometimes growled at me and made me feel uncomfortable likely because I was new person in the house. When I asked the foster mother to take the dog to another part of the house so that I would not be bothered, the foster mother told me that this was the dog's home. Clearly the foster mother put her pet dog above the interests of guests.
19. The foster mother's dog was not trained and was allowed to just poop on the floor. I took a couple of photos with my cell phone and below are two photo of the dog poop in two different locations in the house. It was disgusting to see dog crap around the house. On one occasion the foster mother told me that she would pay me to clean up the dog poop. I told her no thanks.



1. During the 8 nights which I spent in the foster home I wore the same clothes. The CAS workers never offered to allow me to get some of my clothes from my home nor was there any offer to

get me new clothes so that I could have a change of clothes at the foster home.

21. It was very apparent from the beginning that the foster mother really did not care about me or about the other children in her care. In my mind the term jail guard would be more appropriate than a foster mother. . Based on the way in which I was treated it seemed that the foster mother was taking care of kids for the money. There was no love, no caring and no real attention.
22. Overall, the environment and living conditions at the CAS foster home were deplorable in my opinion. The foster home was not much more than a jail cell where you have a room to stay in with the foster mom being the jail guard.