

## Statement of Deficiencies

### 1103.A.-D.: Critical Incidents and Required Notifications

Not Met

1103.A.-D.: An early learning center shall make immediate notification to emergency personnel, law enforcement as applicable, and other appropriate agencies for the following types of critical incidents involving children in care:

1. death;
  2. serious injury or illness that required medical attention;
  3. reportable infectious diseases and conditions listed in LAC 51.II.105; and
  4. any other significant event relating to the health, safety, or well-being of any child, including but not limited to a lost child, an emergency situation, fire or other structural damage, or closure of the center.
- B. The parent shall be contacted immediately following any immediate notifications made under Subsection A.
- C. The department and other appropriate agencies shall be notified via email within 24 hours of the incident.
- D. The department shall be notified by written report within 24 hours of the incident or the next business day. This written notification shall be made on the department's Critical Incidents Report Form and shall contain all information requested on the form.

#### Finding:

1103.A.-D. Based on record review/observations/interview(s): on 1/9/2020 at 4:30pm S2 failed to notify the parent immediately, the Department, and Child Welfare within 24 hours of the following critical incident: On 01/02/2020 at 4:30pm, O1 filed a complaint with S2 that she witnessed S4 hit and drag C1, a 1 year old across the room by one arm. On 01/02/2020 at 4:40pm, S2 reviewed the center's video footage of the alleged incident, and observed S4 using improper lifting techniques; lifting C1 by one arm to remove him from standing inside of the sink area of a wooden play kitchen. S1 stated she contacted C1's parent, O2, via Phone on 01/08/2020 to inform her of the allegation. S1 failed to notify the Department within 24 hours of DCFS, Child Welfare, visiting the center on 1/8/2020 to investigate the allegation that S4 hit and dragged C1 across the room by one arm. S2 stated she will now report every allegation that comes into the center, to the department and Child Welfare.

### 1909.C.: Infants - Positioning Devices

Not Met

1909.C.: Infants shall not be placed in positioning devices, unless the center has written authorization from a physician to use a positioning device.

#### Finding:

1909.C. Based on observations: On 01/09/2020 at 9:30am, the center failed to have written authorization from a physician for 4 of 4 infants to use a positioning device. During specialist walk -through four infants were observed asleep inside bouncers, inside of their labeled cribs. S5 removed the four infants from the bouncers prior to specialist departure. S1 stated she will obtain written authorization from a physician for infants to utilize positing devices.

### 1911.I.&J.: Proper Lifting of a Child

Not Met

- 1911.I.&J.: I. Staff members shall adhere to proper techniques for lifting a child.
- J. Staff members shall not lift a child by one or both arms.

#### Finding:

1911.I. & J.: Based on record review: On 01/02/2020 at 4:25pm, S4 failed to use proper lifting techniques. S4 lifted C1, a 1 year old by one arm to remove him from standing inside of the sink area of a wooden play kitchen. On 01/03/2020, S2 and S3 reviewed proper lifting techniques with S4. 01/03/2020 was S4's last day of employment, as she was a seasonal employee.

### 2101.A.9.: Vehicle - Safety Inspection

Not Met

2101.A.9.: Each vehicle shall have evidence of a current safety inspection.

#### Finding:

2101.A.9. Based on observations/recorded review/interview: on 01/09/2020 at 9:30am, the center's van did not have evidence of a current safety inspection. The current inspection expired 11/2019. The van was utilized on 01/09/2020 to transport school-aged children to their respective school sites. S1 stated the van will be taken for an inspection on 01/09/2020.