

Statement of Deficiencies

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: Child to Staff Ratio

Not Met

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: A. Child to staff ratios are established to ensure the safety of all children.

B. Minimum child to staff ratios shall be met at all times.

1. There shall be a minimum of two staff members present at an early learning center when more than one child is present.
2. Only those staff members directly providing care, supervision or guidance to children shall be counted in the child to staff ratios.

D. Minimum Child to Staff Ratios for Type II and Type III centers:

Ages of Children		Ratio
Infants under 1 year		5:1
1 year	7:1	
2 years		11:1
3 years	13:1	
4 years	15:1	
5 years	19:1	
6 years and up	23:1	

G. Mixed Age Groups - Minimum Child to Staff Ratios

1. An average of the child to staff ratios may be applied to mixed age groups of children ages 2, 3, 4 and 5
2. Child to staff ratios for children under age two are excluded from averaging.
3. When a mixed age group includes children younger than age two, the age of the youngest child determines the child to staff ratio for the group.
4. An average may be applied to a mixed age group consisting only of children ages 5 and older.

Finding:

1711.A.&B.&D.&G.: Child to Staff Ratio: Based on observation/record review/interview: At 11:00am, S1 failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children. At 11:04am, Specialist conducted a walk-through of S12's classroom, and observed 7 one-year-old children, and 1 two-year-old child present with S12. S12 stated C1, age one, arrived at 11:00am while she was on break, thus making the classroom out of ratio. The required ratio for children of this age is 7 children per 1 staff person. Specialist alerted S2, and the ratio was corrected by removing a child from the group.

Corrective Action Plan: Effective 1/12/2021, S1 stated she will ensure child to ratios are posted, and in sight for staff to refer to, and will review mixed age groupings with staff to ensure this deficiency is not recited.

1901.C.: End-of-Day Check

Not Met

1901.C.: The entire center and play yard shall be checked after the last child departs to ensure that no child is left at the center and this check shall be documented. Documentation shall include date, time of visual check, and signature of the staff conducting the visual check.

Finding:

1901.C.: End-of-Day Check: Based on record review: At 2:08pm, Specialist observed S1 did not document that the entire center and play yard was checked after the last child departs to ensure that no child is left unattended at the center on Friday, 1/8/2021. The end of day check failed to include the date, time of visual check, signature of the staff conducting the visual check. Specialist provided technical assistance during the previous visit on 7/27/2020.

Corrective Action Plan: Effective 1/12/2021, S1 stated she will complete a review of the documentation requirements with closing staff and will update the form to include the date, and holidays and center closures to ensure this deficiency is not recited.