

Statement of Deficiencies

1509-A.8. a-b: Behavior Management Policy

Not Met

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Each center shall develop and implement a written behavior management policy describing the methods of behavior guidance and management that shall be used at the center.

The behavior management policy shall prohibit children from being subject to any of the following:

- i. physical or corporal punishment which includes but is not limited to yelling, slapping, spanking, yanking, shaking, pinching, exposure to extreme temperatures or other measures producing physical pain, putting anything in the mouth of a child, requiring a child to exercise, or placing a child in an uncomfortable position.
- ii. verbal abuse, which includes but is not limited to using offensive or profane language, telling a child to "shut up", or making derogatory remarks about children or family members of children in the presence of children;
- iii. the threat of a prohibited action even if there is no intent to follow through with the threat;
- iv. being disciplined by another child;
- v. being bullied by another child;
- vi. being deprived of food or beverages;
- vii. being restrained by devices such as high chairs or feeding tables for disciplinary purposes; and
- viii. having active play time withheld for disciplinary purposes, except timeout may be used during active play time for an infraction incurred during the playtime.

Finding:

1509-A.8. a-b:I: Based on interview(s) and record review: The center did not follow its behavior management policy; that states no child shall be subjected to physical or corporal punishment including, but not limited to yelling, slapping, spanking, yanking, shaking or pinching a child. S37 stated during her interview that there was an incident that took place in January 2017, where a former staff, O2, hit another child at the center. S37 stated that O2 said that she hit the child because the child did not listen and it was something that the the child's mother needed to do the child.

1903-C: Free of Hazards

Not Met

1903-C: Indoor and outdoor areas shall be free of hazards.

Finding:

1903-C Based on observations: The outside of building 2; which is a trailer, at the center was not properly secured and presents an outdoor hazard to the children in the care of the center. Children are able to get through the present structure; a metal bar, and gain access to run around the back of the trailer where there are exposed pipes and water hose faucets and hookups.