

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/interview(s): The center failed to notify all appropriate agencies within 24 hours of the following critical incident: On 01/31/2019, C1 was left alone in the classroom unsupervised for 5 minutes. S1 notified Licensing State office, however she stated she was unaware that she needed to contact Child Welfare. S1 contacted and reported the incident to Child Welfare during specialist visit to the center on 2/7/2019. S1, S15 and O1 verbally verified that O1 was not immediately contacted following the incident. The incident occurred on 1/31/2019 at 10:21 am and O1 was informed on 2/1/2019 at 8:30 am.

1713.A.&B.&C.: Supervision

Not Met

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A: Children shall be supervised at all times in the center, on the playground, on field trips, on non-vehicular excursions, and during all water activities and water play activities.

B: Children shall not be left alone in any room, (except the restroom as indicated in Subsection G), outdoors, or in vehicles, even momentarily, without staff present.

C: A staff person shall be assigned to supervise specific children whose names and whereabouts that staff person shall know and with whom the staff person shall be physically present. Staff shall be able to state how many children are in their care at all times.

Finding:

1713.A.&B.&C.: Supervision: Based on Record review/Interviews: Children were not under supervision at all times as S15 failed to ensure that all children were in her care when exiting the classroom to go to another activity. On 1/31/19 S15's class returned to their classroom from a Happy Feet Soccer Activity. The children sat on the rug as S15 began to change diapers. S15 then told the children to line up so that they could go into another classroom to watch a movie. All of the children lined up except for C1. C1 continued to sit on the rug as S15 and the other children left the classroom. According to the center's video footage, C1 was left alone in the classroom five minutes. S39 was walking by the classroom and noticed C1 in the classroom alone. S39 then brought C1 to S15.