

Statement of Deficiencies

1509-A.8.c: Behavior Management Policy - Time Out

Not Met

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Time out shall not be used for children under age 2.

A time out shall take place within sight of staff.

The length of each time out shall be based on the age of the child and shall not exceed 1 minute per year of age. For children over age six, a time out may be extended beyond 1 minute per year of age, if a signed and dated statement, including a maximum time limit, from the parent granting such permission, is on file at the center.

Finding:

1509-A.8.c Based on observations/interview(s):

Provider used a prohibited method of Time Out as a C1, 3 years of age, was placed in timeout for ten minutes, which exceeded the 1 minute per year of age of child time length.

Specialists, while sitting in the 2 - 3 year old room facing the outdoor play area where the two, three and four year old children were playing, looked through the sliding glass door and saw a child crying. Specialist then noticed C1 coming toward the cement crying and sat down at 11:36am. Specialist then heard S1 tell C1 to "stand and fold". Specialist noticed C1 immediately stand up and fold his arms by his chest. Specialist observed that C1 stopped crying at 11:38am. Specialist observed the time, on the computer, and C1 standing in timeout. C1 stood looking at the other children continue to play in the outdoor play area. At 11:43am, Specialist observed C1 playfully stepping from side to side while still in timeout. Specialist heard S1 then tell C1 to stand like he was supposed to. C1 did comply. At 11:46, S2 went out into the outdoor play area and Specialist observed C1 move toward S1's voice out of the site of the Specialist. S2 came back into the center and Specialist asked S2 if C1 was in timeout. S2, asked S1 if C1 was in timeout and S1 stated yes. C1 was placed in timeout for ten minutes, which exceeded C1's correct timeout by seven minutes.