Statement of Deficiencies

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

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 Infants under 1 year					Ratio 5:1
1	year		7	':1	
2	years				11:1
3	years	13:1			
4	years		1:	5:1	
	years		19	9:1	
6	years and up		23	3:1	

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. Based on observation/interview: At 10:30am, Specialist observed S1 failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children of the following ages: 6 children age infant to five years old with 1 staff. S2 entered the center to use the restroom while S1 remained on the play yard with all 6 children. The required ratio for children of this age is five children per 1 staff person. S1 would need one additional staff person present at all times to meet ratio. S4 arrived in the center at 10:50am to provide additional supervision and to ensure child to staff ratio can be met should staff need to step out of the room.

Corrective Action Plan: S1 stated beginning 3/10/2020, she will ensure a substitute is available to assist in the center as needed, to allow for staff appointments.

1919.C.: Food Allergies and Special Diets

1919.C.: Information regarding food allergies and special diets of children shall be posted in the food preparation area with special care taken to ensure that individual names of children are not in public view. If a parent chooses to allow the center to post the child's name and allergy information in public view, the center shall obtain a signed and dated authorization from the parent.

Finding:

1919.C. Based on record review/observations/interview: Information regarding food allergies and special diets of children was not posted in the food preparation area. Specialist conducted a review of the children's files at 10:33am, and observed C9, age 4, allergy to fish, and C2, age1, special diet of no pork are not posted in the food preparation area with special care to ensure it is not in public view.

Corrective Action Plan: S1 stated, beginning 3/10/2020, she will include all children's special diet and allergy listing in the food preparation area at the time of their enrollment.

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