

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:

**** NEW ****1711-A-B-D-G Based on observations/record review/interview(s): The Provider failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children upon Specialist arrival at the center at 2:15pm.

- S7 was supervising 9 children ages 9 months to 2 years eating snack in the middle room of the center. S2 stated she had a child, C1 (9 months), with S7 to eat snack with the other children in S7's class. S1 stated she also had a child, C2, with S7 eating snack with S7's class. C2 went back into S1's class and C1 returned to S2's class to satisfy ratio. The required staff for children infants is 5 children per 1 staff.

1721-A. - C.: Continuing Education Training

Not Met

1721-A. - C.: Early learning centers shall provide opportunities for continuing education of staff members. The center staff of Type III centers, excluding Foster Grandparents, shall obtain a minimum of 12 clock hours of training annually in the topics found in §1719(A) and (B) conducted by trainers approved by the Licensing Division. The Licensing Division shall keep a registry of approved trainers.

B. These Hours are in addition to the 3 hours required for health and safety.

C. Copies of certificates of completion or attendance records shall be maintained at the center and available for inspection by the Licensing Division upon request.

Finding:

NEW 1721-A. - C. Based on record review: There was no documentation that staff, S6, obtained a minimum of 12 clock hours of training annually in the topics found in 1719(A) and (B) conducted by trainers approved by the Licensing Division. This is in addition to the required training from the Department of Health, Pediatric First Aid and Infant/Child/Adult CPR. Specialist observed documentation of three training hours for S6.