

## 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:

1711-A-B-D-G: Based on observation on 3/16/2017 the center failed to meet the required child to staff ratio for children as evidenced by 15 children ages (4) 1-year-olds and (11) 2-4 year-olds were being cared for by 1 staff (S3). The required ratio for children age 1 is 7 children per staff, ages 2-4 is 13 children per 1 staff. S3 initially had the (4) 1-year-olds but left two times to open the door when the parents were dropping off other children leaving S3 to monitor all the children.

### 1713-E&F: Supervision Participation

Not Met

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E: While supervising a group of children, staff shall devote their time to supervising the children, meeting the needs of the children, and participating with them in their activities.

F: Staff duties that include cooking, housekeeping or administrative functions shall not interfere with the supervision of children.

#### Finding:

1713-E&F: Based on observation on 3/16/2017 while supervising a group of children, childcare staff (S1) did not devote his time to supervision of the children, meeting the needs of the children, and in participation with the children in their activities; as staff was observed performing duties that of cooking the meals for the children. S3 was observed leaving the children 3 times in order to perform cooking duties for lunch.

### 1911-G: Pacifier Attached

Not Met

1911-G: Pacifiers attached to strings or ribbons shall not be placed around the neck or attached to the clothing of a child.

#### Finding:

1911-G Based on observations on 3/16/2017 Specialist observed pacifiers that were attached to strings on 3 of the 4 infants present.