

## Statement of Deficiencies

### 5315-A: Child-to-Staff Ratio

Not Met

5315.A. Child/staff ratios are established to ensure the safety of all children. Only those staff members directly involved in child care and supervision shall be considered in assessing child/staff ratio. Child/staff ratios shall be met at all times as the number of children supervised by one staff person shall not exceed the ratios as indicated below; however, there shall always be a minimum of two child care staff present during hours of operation when children are present:

Ages of Children	Child/Staff Ratio
Infants under 12 months	5:1
One year old	7:1
Two year old	11:1
Three year old	13:1
Four year old	15:1
Five year old	19:1
Six year old and up	23:1

An average of the child/staff ratio may be applied to mixed groups of children ages two, three, four, and five. Ratios for children under two or over five years old are excluded from averaging. When a mixed group includes children less than two years of age, the age of the youngest child determines the ratio for the group to which the youngest child is assigned. When a mixed group includes children both older and younger than six years old and older, the ages of the children less than six determine the ratio for the group. During naptime, required staffing shall be present in the center to satisfy child/staff ratios.

#### Finding:

7315.A. (OLD TAG# 5315.A.) The Provider did not meet the required child to staff ratio for children.

#### FINDINGS INCLUDE:

Upon specialist entrance into center at approximately 1:00 PM, 9 three and four year olds (3 three year olds and 6 four year olds) were napping with no staff present in classroom #1 and 3 one year olds were napping with no staff present in classroom #2. An additional staff member was needed in each classroom to meet child/staff ratio in both rooms. Specialist observed S1, S2 and S3 in the directors office upon entrance into the center with a three year old child calling the child's parent. S2 took the three year old and immediately entered classroom #1 and S3 immediately entered classroom #2. Child/staff ratio was met in both classrooms at this time.

### 5317-A: Direct Supervision

Not Met

5317.A. Children shall be under direct supervision at all times including naptime. Children shall never be left alone in any room or outdoors without a staff present. Children, excluding infants, may be grouped together at naptime with one staff supervising the children sleeping. All children sleeping shall be in the sight of the naptime worker.

#### Finding:

7317.A. (OLD TAG# 5317.A.) Children were not under direct supervision at all times.

#### FINDINGS INCLUDE:

Upon specialist entrance into center at approximately 1:00 PM, 9 three and four year olds (3 three year olds and 6 four year olds) were napping without direct supervision in classroom #1. An additional 3 one year olds were napping without direct supervision in classroom #2. Specialist observed S1, S2 and S3 in the directors office upon entrance into the center with a three year old child calling the child's parent. S2 took the three year old and immediately entered classroom #1 and S3 immediately entered classroom #2. At this point, children were under direct supervision.

### 5319-N.1: Labeled Bottles/Caps

Not Met

5319.N.1. Bottled formula/breast milk shall have labeled bottles and labeled caps/covers with the child's name or initials and refrigerated upon arrival.

#### Finding:

7319.N.1. (OLD TAG# 5319.N.1.) Bottles and caps for infants were not labeled.

#### FINDINGS INCLUDE:

Specialist observed 3 of 3 infant bottles with the caps and covers not labeled. Provider corrected during licensing visit.

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### **5327-A: Locked Harmful Substances and Equipment**

**Not Met**

5327.A. Prescription and over-the-counter medications, poisons, cleaning supplies, harmful chemicals, equipment, tools and any substance with a warning label stating it is harmful or that it should be kept out of the reach of children, shall be locked away from and inaccessible to children. Whether a cabinet or an entire room, the storage area shall be locked.

#### **Finding:**

7327.A. (OLD TAG# 5327.A.) Prescription and over-the counter medications, poisons, cleaning supplies, harmful chemicals, equipment, tools, and any substance with a warning label stating it is harmful to or that it should be kept out of the reach of children were not locked away from children.

#### **FINDINGS INCLUDE:**

Specialist observed a water/bleach solution in a mop bucket in bathtub of the unlocked bathroom between classroom #3 and classroom #4 which is within the reach of children. Provider removed the bucket during the licensing visit.

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